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Births.

BRIDGE.—September 22, at her residence, Pitt-street, Balmain, the wife of Lionel Jas. A. Bridge, of a daughter.

COWLEY.—October 5, at 92 Goodhope-street, Paddington, the wife of Robert H. Cowley, of a son. Home papers please copy.

LINSBURG.—October 5, at Castlederg, Robert-street, Marrickville, the wife of Louis Linsburg, of a son.

ROWLING.—October 7, at her residence, Rosemead, Stanmore-road, Stanmore, the wife of Ernest A. Rowling, of a son.

Deaths.

BLANCHARD.—October 6, at Dapto, Andrew Conie Blanchard, of Mansion House Hotel, Haymarket, aged 49 years. R.I.P.

PURNELL.—October 6, at 52 Renwick-street, Leichhardt, Edward Purnell, aged 68.

ROWLING.—October 7, at Rosemead, Stanmore-road, Stanmore, the infant son of Ernest A. and Minnie Rowling.

WALSH.—October 7, through injuries accidentally received, William James, the beloved elder son of James Joseph and Matilda Walsh, in his 20th year.

In Memoriam.

In sad but loving memory of our dear little Violet, who died October 8, 1894.

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Cuzco	3900	E. Stewart	Oct. 11	Oct. 16	Oct. 20
*China	8000	M. de Horne	Oct. 27	Oct. 30	Nov. 3
Victoria	6527	E. Crewe	Nov. 8	Nov. 13	Nov. 17
Oceana	6600	C. Gadd	Nov. 22	Nov. 27	Dec. 1
Australia	7001	I. Reeves	Dec. 6	Dec. 11	Dec. 15
†Arcadia	6500	A. C. Loggin	Dec. 20	Dec. 25	Dec. 29

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Armand Behic	Richard	—	Oct. 8	Oct. 11
Australien	Verron	Nov. 3	Nov. 6	Nov. 9
Ville de la Ciotat	Piaschi	Dec. 1	Dec. 4	Dec. 6
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Steamer.	Tons	Commander.	Leave Sydney at noon.	Leave Melbourne.	Leave Adelaide.
Gera	5016	A. v. Collen	Oct. 9	Oct. 12	Oct. 16
P. R. Luitpold	6592	H. Walter	Nov. 5	Nov. 9	Nov. 13
Fried. d. Grosse	10500	M. Eichel	Dec. 1	Dec. 7	Dec. 11
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CUZCO	3918	"	H. W. Livett	Oct. 18
ORUBA	5857	"	Lindsay Hay	Oct. 30
ORMUZ	6387	"	H. E. Inskip	Nov. 15
AUSTRAL	5524	"	J. F. Anderson	Nov. 29
OPHIR	6910	"	J. F. Ruthven	Dec. 13

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S.S. MONOWAI, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, October 8, at 4 p.m.
S.S. WAIKARE, SATURDAY, October 16.

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ADELAIDE, WALLAROO, PORT PIRIE, PORT AUGUSTA, ESPERANCE BAY } Tyrian, Saturday, Oct. 9, 2 p.m. Buninyong, Tuesday, Oct. 12, 5 p.m.

ALBANY, BUNBURY, FREMANTLE, GERALDTON } Buninyong, Tuesday, Oct. 12, 5p.m. (No transhipment.) See special Advertisement.

BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON } Loura, Saturday, Oct. 9, 2 p.m. Burwah, Tuesday, Oct. 12, 5 p.m. Tyrian, Saturday, Oct. 16, 2 p.m.

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BRISBANE — Eurimbla, This Day, 5 p.m., Oct. 8. Warrego, Sat., 10 a.m., Oct. 9. Cintra, Tues., 5 p.m., Oct. 12. Ranelagh, Wed., 5 p.m., Oct. 13.

MARYBOROUGH — Eurimbla, This Day, 5 p.m., Oct. 8.

BUNDABERG — Ranelagh, Wed., 5 p.m., Oct. 13.

GLADSTONE — Eurimbla, This Day, 5 p.m., Oct. 8.

ROCKHAMPTON — Eurimbla, This Day, 5 p.m., Oct. 8. Cintra, Tues., 5 p.m., Oct. 12. Ranelagh, Wed., 5 p.m., Oct. 13.

BROADSOUND — Cintra, Tues., 5 p.m., Oct. 12.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM SERGEANT, late of London House, King-street, Newtown, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Bookseller, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Executors' Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-ninth day of October, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this seventh day of October, 1897. R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. CHARLES THOMAS POOLE, Proctor for the Executors, 82 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MARTHA HENDERSON, late of Balmain, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased, intestate.—NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any Debt or Claim upon or affecting the Estate of MARTHA HENDERSON, the abovenamed deceased, who died on or about the 30th day of June, 1897, and Letters of Administration of whose Estate were granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 8th day of September, 1897, to THOMAS HENDERSON, of Balmain aforesaid, the Widower of the said deceased, are hereby required to send in particulars of their Claims to the said Thomas Henderson, or to the undersigned, HENRY SALWEY, his Proctor, on or before the second day of December next, at the expiration of which time the said Thomas Henderson will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the Debts and Claims only of which he shall then have had notice; and the said Thomas Henderson will not be liable for the Assets so distributed to any person of whose Debt or Claim he shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this 7th day of October, 1897. HENRY SALWEY, Proctor for the Administrator, 80 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

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REFERRING to the Regulations of the 16th May, 1887, and the 12th March, 1888, it is hereby notified for general information that the steamers THETIS and LADY HAMPDEN have been duly authorised by the Marine Board to follow the Boatraces in connection with the NEW SOUTH WALES ROWING ASSOCIATION REGATTA, to be held on the Parramatta River on SATURDAY, the 9th instant.
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OCTOBER MEETING.
SATURDAY, 23rd OCTOBER, 1897.
THE HURDLE RACE,
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A Handicap Sweepstakes of 2 sovs. each for starters, with 125 sovs. added; second horse, 25 sovs. from the prize; 1 mile 3 furlongs.
THE WELTER HANDICAP,
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 2 sovs. each for starters, with 100 sovs. added; second horse, 20 sovs. from the prize; lowest weight, 8st; 1 mile.
The winner of any Handicap after the declaration of the weights to carry 7lb penalty.
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Entries for the above meeting are to be made with the Acting Secretary of the A.J.C. before 4 o'clock p.m. on MONDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 1897.
Weights on such day as the committee may appoint.
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14.3 Handicap, about 4 fur. 70 yards.
13.2 Handicap, about 3½ fur.
14.0 Handicap, about 4 fur. 70 yards.
Brighton Handicap, about 6 fur.
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ENTRIES CLOSE TO-DAY, Friday, Oct. 8th, 1897, at 5 p.m.
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ROSEBERY PARK RACING CLUB. PONY AND GALLOWAY MEETING. TUESDAY, 12th OCTOBER, 1897.
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The 14.0 Handicap, 12 sovs., about 4 furlongs.
The 13.2 Handicap, 12 sovs., about 4 furlongs.
The 14.2 (Welter) Handicap, 12 sovs., about 4 furlongs.
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Full particulars see Programmes.
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TO-NIGHT, FRIDAY, at 8 o'clock,
VOCAL and INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT, under the direction of Mr. HUGH DUFF, for the Benefit of Miss S. E. KENNEDY,
in recognition of her valuable services in connection with the parish of Enmore. The following will take part:—Mrs. Payne Scott, Miss Grace Liggins, Miss Ethel Liggins, Misses Campbell and Strong, Messrs. J. M. Callaghan, C. J. Chamion, J. Williams, and Robertson. Lightning Sketches by Mr. Claude Leplastrier. Recitations, Master R. Davis. Violin and 'Cello Solos, Mr. Chas. Smith. Admission, 1s. Piano kindly lent by W. H. Paling and Co. JOHN DUFF, Hon. Sec.

SYDNEY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.
Extra Practice for Chorus only.
Signor HAZON requests the attendance of Members at the Temperance Hall from 8 to 9 o'clock TO-NIGHT, Friday.

THISTLE CLUB of N.S.W.—Social To-night, Protestant Hall, C'reagh-st. Admis., 1s 6d. R. Muir, H. Sec.

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Meetings.

HIGHLAND SOCIETY OF N.S.W.
The BURNS CLUB will MEET THIS EVENING at 8 o'clock, in the Small Hall, Y.M.C.A. Buildings.
MUSICAL EVENING.
J. A. KETHEL, Hon. Sec.

THE Annual General MEETING of the Victoria Park Bowling and Lawn Tennis Club will be held THIS DAY, Friday, in the Pavilion, commencing at 7.30 p.m. sharp.
C. W. WISEMAN, Hon. Secretary.

FORT-STREET OLD BOYS' UNION.
The Annual MEETING and Election of Officers will take place at the Fort-street School TO-NIGHT, Friday, October 8th, at 8 o'clock.
All Old Boys are invited to attend.
W. F. M'MANAMEY } Hon.
T. E. N. BURT } Secs.

SYDNEY RESCUE WORK SOCIETY.—Annual MEETING, MONDAY, 18th Oct., at 8, Temperance Hall, Pitt-street. His Excellency the GOVERNOR will preside. Speakers: Hon. Joseph Cook, M.L.A., P. H. Morton, Esq., M.L.A., Ven. Archdeacon Langley, Rev. John Ferguson, and others.

UNITED PROTESTANT DEMONSTRATION COMMITTEE.
General MEETING of Committee Next FRIDAY, 15th instant, at 8 p.m., Protestant Hall.
JOHN WHEELER, President.
ALF. G. GILCHRIST, Secretary.

GLEBE BRANCH of the NATIONAL PROTECTION UNION.—The Annual General MEETING will be held in the Glebe Town Hall on FRIDAY, the 8th instant, at 8 p.m. Business: To receive Annual Report and Balance-sheet; President's Address, Election of Officers, Consideration of Selection of a Candidate to Represent the Glebe at the ensuing General Election.
G. H. HAY, Hon. Sec.

THE PERMANENT TRUSTEE COMPANY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, Limited.
The Tenth Ordinary General MEETING of Members will be held in the Chamber of Commerce, the Exchange, on FRIDAY, 15th October, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon.
Business:
1. To receive Reports and Balance-sheet to 30th Sept., 1897.
2. To Elect one Director in place of Hon. F. J. Humphery, M.L.C., who retires (under clause 77 of the Articles of Association), and who offers himself for re-election.
3. To elect two Auditors.
4. To consider any other business of which due notice shall have been given in accordance with the Articles of Association.
A. PERCEVAL BEDFORD, Manager.
Sydney, 1st October, 1897.

THE ELSMORE VALLEY TIN-MINING COMPANY No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the Elsmore Valley Tin-mining Company, No Liability, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Otho-street, Inverell, on FRIDAY, the 22nd day of October, 1897, at 3 o'clock p.m., when the subjoined resolutions, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, held on the 1st day of October, 1897, will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions.
Resolutions:
That the following rules be and the same are hereby adopted as new and additional rules of the Company:—
1. That the said Company have power to increase its capital.
2. That the capital of the Company be increased.
3. That such increase of capital be by the issue of 20,000 additional shares at 10s each, payable 2s on application 2s on allotment, and the balance in calls not to exceed 6d per Share per month.
Dated at Inverell this 2nd day of October, A.D. 1897.
By order of the Board.
ARTHUR BLOORE, Legal Manager.

FALKNER GOLD-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
The MEETING of Shareholders, convened for TO-DAY, FRIDAY, will be held in the EQUITABLE HALL, Equitable-buildings, George-street, at 1.15.
Dated 8th October, 1897.
F. H. MOLESWORTH, Chairman.

Auction Sales.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.
GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
All lots not specially advertised.
And at 12 o'clock,
All lots specially advertised.
Regular Sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown or elsewhere any afternoon.
LIVERY.—In this department charges moderate and best of forage.

3 JERSEY COWS, &c.
GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
3 Jersey Cows, one with calf at foot
1 Cow and Calf; good milker.

BROWN FILLY, BY MARBLER.
GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
Brown Filly, 4 years, about 14.2, by Marbler, by Marvellous (imp.).

RACING PONY ZENITH.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. H. Robinson to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 12 o'clock,
ZENITH, Chestnut Gelding, 14.1 Kensington cert., by Zulu out of Thaumsite. Full particulars at sale.

TO RACING MEN and OTHERS.
GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
RAT-A-TAT, Roan Gelding, 5 years, 14.3 Kensington certificate for life
LAUREL, Bay Filly, 3 years, by Box, dam Fashionable Girl, 14.3 Kensington certificate, eligible for any Park Stakes
ISOLA BELLE, Brown Filly, by Somiel (imp.), dam Blonde.

GEORGE KISS wants to Purchase a number of DRAUGHT MARES for breeding purposes.
Buyer will inspect at Bazaar at 10 o'clock To-day.

THE FARMERS' AUCTION SALE YARDS, Thomas-street, off Engine-street, Haymarket.
R. F. MURPHY and CO. will sell by auction, at their new Room and Yard, THIS DAY,
At 1.15 sharp,
Carcase pork, suckers, porkers, stores, &c.
At 2.30,
Mule, Muscovy, and English ducks, turkeys, geese, fowls, guinea fowls, wongas, wild ducks, quail, &c.
At 3.45,
Eggs, bacon, lard, honey, wax, maize, hides, &c.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.
ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Saleyards, at the rear of 791 George-street South, entrance Valentine-lane, THIS DAY,
At half-past 1 sharp,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Suckers, Carcase Pork, and Veal.
At 2 o'clock sharp,
The usual weekly supply of choice brands of Creamery, Factory, and Dairy Roll and Keg Butter Eggs, Bacon, Honey, Lard, Cheese, Fruit, &c.
Sweet Pure Extracted Honey (very prime), ex rail.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
A very large quantity of Poultry, including Ducks, Fowls, Turkeys, Geese, Pigeons, Birds, Hares, &c.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Darling Harbour Station, at 9 o'clock, Wood.
At Produce Mart, 741 George-street, at 1 o'clock,
Fat Calves, Pigs, Sucking Pigs, Carcase Pork, Hares, Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Fowls, Pigeons, Birds, Rabbits, Roll and Keg Butter, Hams, Bacon, Lard, Honey, 200 Cases Superior Duck and Hen Eggs, Oranges, Fruit, Wax, Hair, Hides, Skins, and Sundries.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell, THIS DAY, by public auction at their Circular Quay Stores,
Hides and tallow.

PRODUCE SALES.
SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, Friday, as under:—
HIDES.—At the various Stores, at 9.30 a.m.
TALLOW.—At the Wool Exchange, at 10.30 a.m.
SHEEPSKINS.—At Wool Exchange, at 2.30 p.m.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Ltd., will THIS DAY sell by public auction, at the Wool Exchange, Bridge-street,
Sheepskins.

FLEMING and SONS sell by auction, This Day, at 1 o'c., at 242 Pitt-st., choice collection of Pot Plants, &c.

A. MITCHELL will sell by public auction, at 110 Bay-street, Glebe, a large quantity of Cabbages, Oranges, Eggs, &c.
THIS DAY, at 8 a.m. sharp.

THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m., at 6 Irving-st., Sydney (off Abercrombie-place). Household Furniture, &c., Pastry Moulds, D.B. Gun, Watches, &c.
A. MITCHELL will sell by auction. No Reserve.

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A BUNCH	WILLIE FREEAR	OF KEYS
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Auction Sales.

INGLIS and SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, and Harness.
At 12 o'clock,
Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1331.

FRESH COUNTRY HORSE, FROM BOOTY HILL.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. WALKER, to sell by auction, at THEIR BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 12 O'CLOCK,
Bay Gelding, thoroughly staunch. No Reserve.

TO BREWERS, HEAVY CARRIERS, and Others.
5 EXTRA HEAVY DRAUGHT HORSES 5 (direct from the country).
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 12 O'CLOCK, 5 extra heavy draught Horses, 4 to 6 years, thoroughly staunch, suitable for brewers or heavy carriers' work, just arrived by rail from the country.

2 SUPERIOR SULKY TURNOUTS (IN A DECEASED ESTATE).
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the EXECUTORS of the LATE Mr. JNO. JOHNSTON, to sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 12 O'CLOCK,
Bay Mare, Sulky, and Harness } Thoroughly reliable
Taffy Pony, Sulky, and Harness } in sad. & har.

6 USEFUL HARNESS HORSES 6.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 12 O'CLOCK,
6 Useful Harness Horses.
No Reserve.

MAIL COACH (RELIABLE BUILD).
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. JAS. WATERWORTH, CAMPBELLTOWN, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Reliably-built Mail Coach. Particulars at sale.

WELL-BRED BAY MARE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, at 12 O'CLOCK,
Bay Mare, by Nutsborough by Goldsborough, broken to saddle and harness, and quiet to trams.

BOOT OMNIBUS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 12 O'CLOCK,
Omnibus, with boot seat, carries 25.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.
THOROUGHBRED HORSE ORBILLE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 12 O'CLOCK,
ORBILLE, bay gelding, by Ormonde, dam First Light. Orbille, winner of Brisbane Cup.

CLEARING-OUT SALE of VEHICLES, COACHBUILDER'S PLANT, &c., &c.
ON THE PREMISES KNOWN AS ROBERTSON'S OLD-ESTABLISHED COACH FACTORY, 417 PITT-STREET, HAYMARKET, on MONDAY NEXT, OCTOBER 11th, AT 2 O'CLOCK SHARP.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, on the Premises, on MONDAY NEXT, OCTOBER 11th Next, at 2 o'clock sharp, The whole of the VEHICLES, STOCK, MATERIAL, &c., &c., of the above well-known coachbuilding establishment.
FULL PARTICULARS IN LAST SATURDAY'S HERALD.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.
TO HEAD. TO HEAD.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at the CAMPERDOWN YARDS, AS ABOVE, at 2.30 p.m.
On account of Messrs. CLIFT BROS., Breeza:
80 first-class Horses, principally well-bred descriptions, suitable for the Indian market and for general light harness work; also a few good draught and van sorts.
THE QUALITY OF MESSRS. CLIFT BROS.' HORSES IS SO WELL KNOWN THAT COMMENT IS UNNECESSARY.
On Account of Messrs. HEBDEN BROS., WANAARING:
20 high-class Colts and Fillies, suitable for the Indian market and for general light harness work. DIRECT FROM THE BREEDERS.
THE ABOVE ARE DESCRIBED AS AN ESPECIALLY GOOD LOT, BEING BY THE CELEBRATED SIRE EXPLORER BY PANIC, &c., &c.; AND ALSO BY THE TROTTING SIRE HERO.
On account of SOUTHERN AGENTS.
10 fresh country Horses, comprising useful saddle and harness sorts, broken and unbroken, in good condition.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. BROWN to sell by auction, as above,
15 fresh country horses, trucked at Breeza.

INGLIS'S WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE THIS DAY, RAILWAY SALE YARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Friday,
At 12 o'clock sharp,
Calves, pigs, lambs, suckers, &c.
At half-past 2 o'clock sharp,
Turkeys, ducks, geese, fowls, pigeons, &c.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
Roll and keg butter from best Southern factories and dairies, eggs, bacon, cheese, lard, honey, &c., &c.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8th, 1897, AT 2.30 P.M.
FOR SALE AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SALEROOM, THE EXCHANGE, BRIDGE-STREET.
Under instructions from S. A. JOSEPH, Esq., Messrs. GOLLIN and CO., and OTHER IMPORTERS,
450 PACKAGES NEW SEASON'S INDIAN TEA.
308 DITTO DITTO DITTO CEYLON TEA,
ex Argus and Bhundara, from Calcutta;
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comprising all grades, from good medium to Finest Ceylon Pekoes, Orange Pekoes, and Broken Orange Pekoes; also Finest Dooars, Assam, and Darjeeling Indians.
H. W. CAREY and CO., Tea Brokers, &c., 18 Bridge-street, Sydney.
Samples on Show and Catalogues at the Brokers' Offices.

THIS DAY, Friday, Oct. 8th, on the Premises, Malcolm-street, ERSKINEVILLE, at 10 a.m. Household Furniture, Black-and-brass ½-Tester Bedsteads, Splendid Solid Cedar 8-drawer Chest, Fancy Aust. Chairs, H.H. Couch, Tables, Dresser, Crockery, Kitchen Utensils, and Sundries. A Nice Clean Lot. Lino, &c.
EVANS and CO. have received instructions to sell as above. Terms, Cash, and Absolutely No Reserve.
EVANS and CO., Auctioneers, Newtown Markets, Newt'n.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2.30 o'clock.
AT 41 BROADWAY, GLEBE.
J. BROWN and CO. will sell by auction, for Mrs. Edwards, Johnston-street, Annandale,
Her Superior HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS
Walnut Bedroom Suite, Sewing Machine, Chest Drawers, first-class Stove, Mangle, several Carpet Squares, Oilcloth, Bevelled Sideboard, several Wardrobes, Overmantels, Combinations, Duchess Pair, Brass-mt. Double, ¾, and Single Bedsteads and Bedding, Bookcase, Ice Chest, Counter, Tables, Whatnot, Pictures, enclosed Dresser with Glass Doors, Dinner Set, Blankets, Cot, Cutlery, Boiler, Saucepans, Safes, and all Appointments.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, October 9th, at 2 p.m., on the Premises, PARRAMATTA-ROAD, Annandale,
STOCK-IN-TRADE of a FURNITURE DEALER. HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
A. G. JENKINS has been instructed to sell, as above, TO-MORROW AFTERNOON.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9th, at 11 o'clock, Illuka Villa, Campbell-street, Milson's Point, near Jeffrey-street, 2 minutes from ferry. By order of whom it may concern. Absolutely Unreserved Sale of PIANO (Mignon) together with the General Household FURNITURE and Effects of 7 rooms, Singer Sewing Machine, &c.
LEWIS PHILLIPS, Auctioneer, has been favoured with instructions to sell the above on the day named, Positively Without Reserve.
Full particulars Herald Saturday.

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Auction Sales.

THIS DAY.
FRIDAY, 8th OCTOBER, AT 11 A.M.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET.
INDENTS of BOOTS and SHOES, at the Risk of the IMPORTERS, comprising
LADIES' KID OXFORD SHOES, plain and toe caps
LADIES' FINE GLOVE KID OXFORD and EVENING SHOES
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LADIES' PATENT OXFORD and EVENING SHOES
MEN'S FRENCH CALF and TAN BALS.
MEN'S CALF OXFORD and PATENT COURT SHOES
GIRLS' LEVANT and KID BALS., all ranges of sizes
GIRLS' and MAIDS' 1 and 2 STRAP SHOES
CHILDREN'S PATENT and GLOVE KID BALS. and BUTTONS
INFANTS' and CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES.
COLONIAL-MADE BOOTS in numerous grades (Men's, Women's, and Children's).
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AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
8th OCTOBER, at 11 a.m.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
Superior Furniture and Household Effects.
Under instructions from various vendors.
GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.
Dinner, Dessert Services, Tea and Breakfast Service.
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, including
TWO VERY HANDSOME SIDEBOARDS,
in SOLID AMERICAN WALNUT, best English manufacture, and in splendid order.
FIRST-CLASS MOROCCO LEATHER SUITE, solid walnut frames.
SUPERIOR BOOK-CASES.
DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE.
HANDSOME BRUSSELS CARPETS.
WALNUT OVERMANTELS, with Bevelled-edged Mirrors and Side Galleries.
FOUR CUTLER DESKS, 4ft. 6in. and 5ft.
Also
12 AMERICAN GO-CARTS, with Rubber Tires.
MAGNIFICENT RONISCH PIANOFORTE, a Semi-grand, in handsome Walnut Case, possessing all the most desired qualities of tone, touch, and resonance, and most highly recommended.
VALUABLE WILMER PIANOFORTE, HAPSBURG PIANOFORTE, &c., &c.
HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITES, and a large quantity of MISCELLANEOUS FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions from various Vendors to sell by auction, as above,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 8th OCTOBER, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

TO SHIPPERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS.
At the ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
On Account of Those Concerned. With All Faults.
1 Bale 365 ROLLS WALLPAPERS.
Also,
100 Cases Diamond Axle Grease, 2lb. tins
10 Ditto Satin Polish, Light and Dark, and
3 CASES ENAMELLED HOLLOWARE, assorted, &c., &c.
A. TRAVERSI and CO. will Sell the above at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, October 8, at 11 o'clock sharp.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

To the Wholesale and Retail Furnishing Trade, Private Buyers, and Others.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
Under Instructions from the Importers.
SPECIALLY SELECTED SHIPMENT of ORIENTAL CARPETS (VARIOUS SIZES), HEARTHRUGS, MATS, SLIPS, BORDERED SQUARES, &c.
FANCY ART MUSLINS, CURTAINS, &c.
ROLLS FINEST QUALITY MATTING, COIR MATTING, &c.
Also,
SHIPMENT WALNUT OVERMANTELS.
A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above, at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, October 8, at 11 o'clock sharp.

TO LADIES AND GENTLEMEN FURNISHING, THE TRADE, &c.
THIS DAY,
FRIDAY, 8th OCTOBER, at 11 a.m.
At BROOK and CO.'S MART,
146 ELIZABETH-STREET, near Liverpool-street.
ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION of SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
DRAWING-ROOM SUITES, OVERMANTELS, OCCL. TABLES, MASSIVE DINING-ROOM SUITE, Dining Table, Chiffonier, Austr. Chairs, Couches, 8ft. 6in. Sideboard, Lounge Chairs, Dinner Service, Tea Set, Glassware, HANDSOME 5ft. SIDEBOARD, Bevd. Glass, Combination Chests of Drawers, Marble W. Stands, Washstands and Ware, Toilet Tables, Towel Horses, SINGLE and DOUBLE BEDSTEADS, with Wire Mattresses and Super. Bedding, SUPERIOR BEDROOM SUITES, with Bevd. Glass, 4-Drawer Chest of Drawers, Wire Stretcher, Six 6ft. x 2ft. 6in. Pine-top Tables, Kitchen Safe, Kitchen Tables, and a lot of MISCELLANEOUS FURNITURE and SUNDRIES, and a Tent 12 x 10.
H. W. BROOK and CO. have received instructions to sell THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

TO GROCERS, PROVISION MERCHANTS, &c.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 O'CLOCK, at 101 GLEBE-ROAD, GLEBE.
A Well-assorted Stock of GROCERIES, OILMEN'S STORES, TEAS, SUGAR, KEROSENE OIL, CANDLES, SOAP, JAMS, SCALES and WEIGHTS, and SHOP FITTINGS.
DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from Mr. J. THOMPSON to sell the above.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY.
To Jewellers, Pawnbrokers, Dealers, and Others. The Stock of a Watchmaker and Jeweller.
At 11 o'clock.
PLATEDWARE, consisting of CRUETS, BUTTER DISHES, BISCUIT BARRELS, TOAST-RACKS, EGGSTANDS, FORKS, SPOONS, and CUTLERY.
A Large and Varied Stock of Clocks, Mathematical Instruments, Microscopes, Compasses, &c.
At 1 o'clock.
Jewellery, comprising Gold and Silver Waltham and Lever Watches, DIAMOND, Signet, Keeper, and Wedding Rings, Gold Alberts, Chains, Necklets, Links, &c. Diamond Brooches, Earrings, Bangles, Pins, Studs.
JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions from Mr. P. Rosenberg to sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, THIS DAY,
The Stock of Platedware, Jewellery, &c., as above.

THIS DAY, at 11.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction at Hay and George streets,
Large Leechest and Counter Case, Cedar Sideboards, Chiffoniers, Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Bedding, Austrian Chairs, Dining and Kitchen Tables, Carpets, Furniture, Crockery, &c. No Reserve.
At 2.30—Clothing, Watches, Jewellery, Drapery, and Sundries. No Reserve.

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Mr. RICKARDS has much pleasure in announcing that at the MATINEE Performance on TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9th, he will introduce to his Tivoli Patrons his 39th instalment of English Artists, viz.:—
Joseph THE WALDRONS, Ettie
Burlesque Artists and Specialty Performers.
Also, his 40th instalment of English Artists,
Miss RAY DORRIS,
Serio-comic Vocalist and Artistic Dancer.
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Reappearance of that Popular Favourite,
Mr. TOM WOODWELL,
the Loose-legged Comedian and Kockney Komic,
and
Miss EMILY LYNDALE,
Serio-comic and Character Impersonator.
REMEMBER, these Artists will positively appear at both Afternoon and Evening Performances on SATURDAY, October 9.

MOSMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL.
A BAZAAR to raise Funds for the PURCHASE of a PIANO will be held in the ABOVE SCHOOL TO-DAY and TO-MORROW from 3 till 5.30 and 7 till 10 p.m. MAYPOLE DISPLAYS and a MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT will be given on BOTH EVENINGS.
ADMISSION, 6d; CHILDREN, 3d.

FANCY FAIR AND EXHIBITION, CENTENARY HALL, in aid Central Methodist Mission, THIS DAY, 3 to 6, 7 to 10. Open 6 to 7 for Tea. PROGRAMME TO-DAY:—7.30, Competitions in Art, Flowers, and Cookery judged; 8 and 9, Cinematographe, Nail-driving Contest by Ladies, Tableaux Vivants. SATURDAY, 8: Vocal Music Contest. MONDAY, 8: Recitation Competition.
Admission, 6d.

RUBINI'S Performing FLEAS now Exhibiting at 535 George-st., near Liverpool-st., daily. Admission, 6d.

Auction Sales.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
ORDER OF SALE.
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m., THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
CITY.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 23 Argyle-street, west of Kent-street. Deceased Estate.
BALMAIN.—Allotment, Llewellyn-street, near Darling-street. Intestate Estate.
AUBURN.—Lots 4 to 6 and 16, sec. 11, Kihilla and Karabar streets, Day's subdivision.
CABRAMATTA.—Lots, Water-street. Boyd and King's subdivision.
PARRAMATTA.—Block of 2a. 2r. 21p., Thomas-street, Newland's Estate, close to River, east of Bridge at Church-street. Assigned Estate.
DITTO.—Block of about 18a., Kissing Point-road, Pemberton Grange Estate, little beyond Victoria-street. Assigned Estate.
PARRAMATTA SOUTH.—Allotment, Railway-street West. Assigned Estate.
GRANVILLE.—Allotment, fronting Dog Trap-road and Railway-crescent. Assigned Estate.
SEVEN HILLS.—Orangery of 27a. 2r. 33p., main road, Windsor to Parramatta, with Cottage and all improvements. Mortgagee's Sale.
COUNTY of BATHURST.—Lots 1 to 10, sec. 13, Township of Victoria, near King's Plains, fronting Coombing and Li-combe streets. Assigned Estate.
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ROOKWOOD, Raphael-street, off Railway-parade, Close to the Railway Station.
A DETACHED W.B. COTTAGE, with iron roof and 4 rooms, back and front verandahs.
Land 40ft. x 116ft.
Also,
Lot 32, Sec. C, ALBERT PARK ESTATE, 40ft. frontage to Beatrice-street, depth 163ft.
WATKIN and WATKIN sell by auction, at their Rooms, 313 Pitt-street, on MONDAY Next, October 11th, at 11.30 a.m. By order of the Mortgagees.

LEICHHARDT, Catherine and Albion sts. corner, Brick Shop and Dwelling, containing shop, 4 rooms, kitchen, laundry, balcony in front, land 18 x 90 feet. Freehold. WATKIN and WATKIN sell by auction at their Rooms, 313 Pitt-street,
MONDAY, 11th OCTOBER, at 11.30 a.m.

FIVE DOCK, North-road and Harris-street, Corner BLOCK, 120ft. frontage to North-road, depth 146ft. along Harris-street. WATKIN and WATKIN sell by auction at their Rooms, 313 Pitt-street,
MONDAY, 11th October, at 11.30 a.m.,
by order of the Mortgagees.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 28th September, 1897.
H. COX v. GRANT, M. C., Administratrix, &c.
ON FRIDAY, the 8th day of October, 1897, at noon, unless the writ of fieri facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by Public Auction, at the Arbitration Court, Supreme Court, Sydney, all the Right, Title, and Interest of MARY CATHERINE GRANT, as Administratrix of the Will of JANET BATEMAN, deceased, the defendant herein, of, in, and to all that Piece or Parcel of Land, situated, lying, and being in the parish of Willoughby, county of Cumberland, being part of Lot Eleven of Section C of the Whaling-street Subdivision of part of Milson's Grant, commencing on the west side of Doris-street, at the south-eastern corner of Lot 12, and bounded thence on the north by part of the southern boundary of said lot 12, bearing west 57ft., thence on the west by other part of said lot 11, bearing south 25ft.; thence on the south by the northern boundary of lot 10, bearing east 54ft. 9in. to Doris-street aforesaid; and thence on the east by the western side of Doris-street aforesaid, bearing north 25ft. 3in. to the point of commencement.
TERMS, CASH. CHEQUES NOT TAKEN.
C. E. B. MAYBURY, Sheriff.
A. E. BARNES, Plaintiff's Attorney, 10 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

Wanted to Purchase.

STAMPS.—Collections and Old Australians wanted, highest prices. Smyth and Nicolle, 14 Hunter-st.

WANTED, an American CHAIR, in good order, reasonable. M'Kee Bros., hairdressers, King-st., c.

WANTED, large GLASSCASE, about 8ft. x 10ft. x 2ft. Box 1145, G.P.O.

WANTED, sound, second-hand Copper BOILER about 25 gallons. 109 Waverley-rd., Woollahra.

WANTED, QUOTATION, f.o.b. Sydney, for 5000 Candle Boxes, in shipping order, one end to be stamped with trade mark; deliveries, 1000 monthly. H. D. M'CALLUM, Russell-street, Fremantle, W.A.

WANTED, small good Carpenter's BENCH. Size, particulars, price, Bench, Herald Office.

WANTED, 80 6ft., 60 7ft. sheets G. C. Iron, fairly good. State price and where to be seen, M., Herald Office.

WANTED, second-hand Iron SAFE. Reply, with size, partic., price, &c., to H. F. M., Herald, King-st.

WANTED to Buy, a Second-hand POKER MACHINE. Poker, P.O., Haymarket.

WANTED to Buy, a few second-hand print or other DRESSES; size, small lady's. Cheap, Herald.

WANTED, cheap second-hand Dressmaker's STAND. Address letters to Floris, G.P.O.

WANTED to buy, a SIDEBOARD, from 8ft. to 9ft., glass back and brackets; large Overmantel, and Telescope Table. Apply North Annandale Hotel, Johnson-street, Annandale.

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COUGHS, COLDS on the CHEST, BRONCHITIS, and ASTHMA rapidly cured by HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE.
Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, distressing cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain and soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure.
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Small sizes, 2s 6d; large, 4s 6d. Sold by chemists and medicine vendors. Forwarded by post to any address when not obtainable locally.

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BEECHAM'S PILLS. In Boxes 9½d, 1s 1½d, and 2s 9d each.

PRODUCE MARKET.

THURSDAY.
TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

A steady business was transacted in general produce to-day. The small supply of forage forward by rail was quickly disposed of at prices much the same as those ruling on the previous day. Movements in prices on the wharfs were few and of little moment. The market for maize was decidedly firm, with holders less inclined to do business. Buyers operated freely and bought all the maize offered at yesterday's rates. Other feedgrain lines moved slowly at about late prices. Bran and pollard were somewhat scarce, especially the former. Each sold more readily at slightly improved rates. The quality of the imported chaff on the market was not first-class. The bulk was quitted at prices ranging from £3 15s to £4 10s per ton. The demand for lucerne continued moderate, supplies being plentiful. Potatoes were in good request, and for choice Ballarat Redskins advanced prices were realised. The wharfs were rather bare of Circulars, and it is expected that stocks from this out will be very light, owing to the fact that about three more consignments will bring the Tasmanian shipments for the season to a close. Melbourne onions found steady sale at late rates. At auction turnips were in better request at higher prices. Business in dairy produce was fairly brisk in all lines. No appreciable change in prices occurred.

Regarding the potato market, the Tasmanian North-western Farmers' Association report, under date Devonport, September 30, as follows:—

Deliveries have again been light; and in sympathy with the advances in Sydney values locally have hardened for the best residues. Advices from Sydney point to a fair demand for the small quantities of Tasmanians still going forward; and the balance of our small holding spread over the coming three weeks is likely to sell to advantage. Large quantities of New Zealands are still arriving in Sydney, but being a poor sample their value is from 15s to £1. Deliveries—shipments from Victoria have been rather lighter, but the quantity available is still very large. Considerable local business has been done for seed purposes, and after the late rains many hundred acres are likely to be planted.

Messrs. John Bridge and Co. report having catalogued to-day some 6500 bags chaff, 1000 bales straw, 700 bags oats, and about 150 bags maize. The attendance of the trade was large, and there was a very much better disposition shown to operate in most lines, notably chaff, at current rates. They succeeded in effecting a clearance of some 5500 bags at the following rates, viz.:—Straw chaff, from £2 5s to £2 10s, medium qualities £3 to £3 10s, and best up to £4 10s, while for oats 2s 4d was obtained for prime feed lines, maize realising 2s 4s to 2s 4½d, with a strong demand, and they cleared 750 bales straw at prices ranging from £2 5s 6d to £2 10s.

FEED-GRAINS MARKET.
Maize.—Steady sale. Prime, 2s 4d per bushel.
Oats.—New Zealand prime feed, 2s 4d; medium, 2s 2d to 2s 3d; local, prime, 2s 3d to 2s 4d per bushel.
Barley.—Imported Cape barley, nominal; English prime, 3s 3d to 3s 6d per bushel.
Peas.—Blue, 5s; grey, 3s 6d per bushel.
Chickwheat.—Very scarce. Prime, 4s; second-class, 3s 6d to 3s 9d per bushel.

BRAN AND POLLARD.
Bran and pollard were in better request at quotations. Bran was quoted at 8½d, and pollard at 8d per bushel.

BREADSTUFFS.
Leading roller brands, £12 10s; Californian, £11 10s; Manitoba, red £13, blue £13 10s on spot. Local wheat is 4s 8d to 4s 8½d, according to sample, Darling Harbour delivery; some holders ask higher prices.

FORAGE MARKET.
Straw.—Derrick-pressed, imported, prime, £2 5s; local, £2 5s; local bundled, £2 5s to £2 10s per ton.
Chaff.—Good supply imported. Prime, £4 10s to £4 15s; medium, £3 15s to £4 5s. Local: Prime, £4 15s to £5; prime green, £5 2s 6d; ordinary prime, £4 10s to £4 15s; medium, £4 to £4 5s per ton.
Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime, £4 15s; medium, to £4 to £4 10s per ton.
Lucerne.—Hunter River: Brown summer, prime, £2 to £2 2s 6d; new green, fair quality, £1 10s; prime, £1 15s to £2 per ton.

POTATO MARKET.
Potatoes.—Fair demand. New Zealand Derwent, £3 5s; Ballarat, £3 5s to £3 7s 6d; Redskins, £3 15s to £3 17s 6d; Tasmanian Circulars, prime, £4 5s to £4 10s per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Honey.—Plentiful. Slow sale. Garden honey, choice, 2½d, second-class quality, 2d per lb.
Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.
Onions.—Melbourne prime, £11 to £11 10s per ton.
Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, to 5½d; bulk, 5d per lb.
Turnips.—Plentiful. Prime local, £1 10s to £1 17s 6d per ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.
Butter.—Heavy supply. Good demand. Finest creamery, 9d; factory, 8½d. South Coast quote choice creamery 9d, Berry Creamery 9d. Foley Brothers quote choicest creamery 9d, factory 8½d per lb.
Eggs.—Very plentiful. Good demand. North and south 6d; a few choice lots 6½d per dozen.
Cheese.—Prime loaf, 5d; large, 4½d to 5d; New Zealand very large 4d to 4½d, medium 4½d to 5d; loaf, 5d to 5½d per lb.
Bacon and Hams.—Small stocks. Active demand. Mild-cured, 7½d; hand-cured, prime, 6½d to 7d; second-class, 6d; middles, 7d to 7½d; Rodaila sides, 7d; flitches, 6½d; middles, 8d; Barnes's "B in a circle," 7d; M'Lean's bacon, 7½d; local hams, 6½d to 7d; in cloth, 7d to 7½d; choice, 8½d; New Zealand, Queensland, and mild-cured, choice, 9d; English, 10d per lb.
Poultry.—Moderate supply. Good sale. Fowls, 3s to 3s 6d; prime, 4s; ducks, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; Muscovy ducks, 4s to 4s 6d; geese, 4s 6d to 5s; turkeys, cocks 8s to 11s, hens 5s to 6s per pair.

THE WOOD MARKET.
Moderate supply. No demand. Prices low. Firewood, good, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; inferior, 6s to 7s 6d; bundles, good, 9s to 10s; inferior, 6s to 7s 6d; billet, good, 7s to 8s; inferior, 5s to 7s; bakers' split, good, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; inferior, 5s 6d to 6s; large green, 5s to 6s per ton.

REDFERN SALE.
A meagre supply of produce was submitted at auction this morning. The demand continued brisk, all lines, except oaten hay, being cleared at about yesterday's rates. Prime green chaff sold at 5s to 5s 1d and medium quality at 4s 2d. Prime lucerne hay in trusses found buyers at 2s to 2s 1d and second-class quality at 1s 6d to 1s 8d per cwt. Turnips were in moderate request at 1s 3d to 1s 10d per cwt. Oaten hay was somewhat dull of sale.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions actually submitted at to-day's sale: Chaff, 12 trucks; turnips, 3; hay, 2; lucerne, 5; and oats, 1.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Dent and Perry, Ellis and Co., H. Prescott and Co., A. M'Arthur and Co., Heaton Brothers, John Iridge, H. M. Suttor and Co., Robert Little and Co., and J. A. Moore.

The above supplies were disposed of as follows:—
Chaff.—From Mrs. Mitchell, Cargo-road, (truck No. 164) 4s 2d; Brown, Goulburn, (5216) 5s 1d; Coddington, Murrumburrah, (5244) passed; Gown, Harden, (4097) 5s; R. Pratley, George's Plains, (3993) passed; Town Estate, Mary Vale, (2425 and 1760) 5s; Murray, Newbridge, (7226) 4s; Farrell, Orange, (2384) 5s; A. M'Dermott, Millthorpe, (2421 and 1567) passed; M'Keon, (4953) 3s 11d per cwt.
Turnips.—From W. G. Wilbow, Windsor, (5307) 1s 10d; Brewer, 1s 3d; J. Wilbow, 1s 7d; Hough, Richmond, (7655) 1s 10d; E. B. Company, Emu Plains, (3263) 1s 7d per cwt.
Hay.—From M'Kenzie, Wambool, (3403) passed; Arrow, Locksley, (5014) passed.
Lucerne.—From Burgess and Cousins, Tamworth, (5986) passed; Vaughan, Mulgrave, (2997) 1s 6d; Cox, (8036) 2s; F. Greentree, Windsor, (7543) 2s 1d; Dunstan, (2673) 1s 8d per cwt.
Oats.—From Kelly, Tarana, (9871) passed.

FRUIT MARKETS.
At the Bathurst-street markets this morning only a moderate supply was under offer. Business continued steady. Beyond a slight rise in oranges little or no change occurred in prices. Oranges were in better demand at improved rates. Packing sorts for export had really good attention. A moderate amount of packing was being done, mostly for export. Apples moved slowly about late rates. Bananas and pines were in slow request at quotations.

Current quotations are:—
Apples.—Fair supply. Quiet demand. Scarlet Pearmains, choice 9s to 10s; very choice, 11s; medium 7s 6d to 8s 6d, other qualities 3s 6d to 4s 6d; French Crabs, medium 6s, choice 6s 6d to 7s; Sturmers, choice 5s to 6s 6d, second-class 3s 6d to 4s 6d; jam apples, 1s 6d to 2s per case.
Lemons.—Local, rough 4s to 4s 6d, good 4s 6d to 5s, choice 5s 6d to 6s per gincase.
Passionfruit.—Choice 10s to 12s, medium 6s to 8s, small 3s 6d to 5s per gincase; choice, 6s to 6s 6d per half-case.
Pines.—Common, choice, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; Queens, choice, 7s 6d to 8s 6d per case.
Cocoanuts.—Plentiful and slow, 6s to 7s 6d per bag.
Mandarins.—Emperors, small 4s to 5s, medium 5s 6d to 6s 6d, choice 7s to 8s per gincase.
Loquats.—Large choice 3s to 4s, extra large, 5s to 7s per half-case, small 2s 6d to 3s 6d, good 3s 6d to 4s 6d, choice 5s to 6s per gin-case.
Oranges.—Windfalls, 2s to 2s 6d; good, 3s; rough pulled, 3s 6d; packing sorts, good medium 4s to 5s, prime 6s to 7s; choice, thin-skinned, 8s to 9s; Seville, 5s to 6s per case.
Bananas.—Queensland 6d to 2s, good, 2s 3d to 2s 9d; choice, 3s per bunch. Cases: Queensland, 4s to 5s a single and 8s to 9s a double-case.
Tomatoes.—Queensland 7s to 8s 6d per quarter-case.
Strawberries.—Local, good, 6d to 1s 6d; choice, 2s per quart.
Cucumbers.—Queensland, 8s per quarter-case.

VEGETABLE MARKET.
A fair supply of vegetables was offered for sale at the Belmore Markets this morning. All lines commanded ready sale, especially peas, broad beans, and cauliflowers. As far as prices were concerned, no appreciable alteration occurred.

Quotations were as under:—Cauliflowers, moderate quality 1s 6d to 2s, good 2s 6d, choice large 3s 6d to 4s 6d; cabbage, 6d to 1s 6d, medium 2s to 2s 6d, choice 3s to 3s 6d per dozen; peas, 1s to 2s; broad beans, 1s to 1s 3d per bushel; asparagus, 3s 6d to 6s; horseradish, 4s to 7s; beetroot, 9d to 1s; mint, 9d to 1s; spinach, 8d to 10d; eschalots, 1s; leeks, 1s; white turnips, 10d to 1s; parsnips, 1s to 1s 3d; rhubarb, 1s 6d to 2s 6d; watercress, 1s 6d to 2s; celery, choice table 1s 6d to 2s 6d, inferior 1s; radishes, 4d to 6d; carrots, 10d to 1s; herbs, 6d per dozen bunches; lettuce, 4d to 6d; sweet potatoes, 1s 6d to 1s 9d; kidney potatoes, 2s per quarter; Swede turnips, 1s per dozen bunches; green stuff, 4d to 6d; horse carrots, 6d to 8d per dozen bunches; Queensland tomatoes, choice, 3s to 4s per quarter-case; French beans 3s 6d to 4s 6d per bushel.

ANNANDALE POLITICAL LABOUR LEAGUE.

The monthly meeting of the above was held on Tuesday evening, Mr. T. Symons being in the chair. Mr. A. Duncan (delegate) gave in his report of the last meeting of the district assembly, and he tendered his resignation. A general discussion ensued thereon, and eventually Mr. Duncan withdrew his resignation on condition that he should not attend any further meetings for three months. The report was adopted. Mr. J. O. M. Skelton said he regretted that this would be his last meeting, as in about 10 days' time he would be leaving the colony. The president and Messrs. Duncan, J. Grant, Richard Hooke, and C. B. Smith regretted that Mr. Skelton was about to leave the colony, and eulogised his services for the cause of labour, extending over a number of years. It was decided that the secretary write to him conveying the thanks of the league for his services.

The secretary presented a draft circular in accordance with a motion passed at last meeting having reference to the forthcoming general election. It was decided, considering the statement made by the Premier recently, that the matter of discussing it should be left in abeyance for the present.

ROBERT LITTLE AND CO.—Hay, Chaff, and Produce Auctions at Redfern daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

Foley Brothers, Sussex-st.—Creamery Butter, Waratah, Baroona, Candelo, Central, Kameruka; Cheese.—Advt.

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MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

GRANVILLE.
There were present at the last meeting—Aldermen Iron (in the chair), and Aldermen Windsor, Kay, Davis, Mahony, Lane, Kirk, Kelman, and Hickey. It was resolved that the Mayor and Aldermen Finnegan and Windsor sign the debentures for the council's loan of £10,000. Alderman Kelman moved,—"That the finance committee consider the advisability of increasing the salary of the overseer of works." Carried. The Board of Health wrote to the effect that an officer of the department had inspected the sanitary provisions, and recommended more precautions being taken.

A meeting was held on September 29. Present—The Mayor (Alderman J. R. Palmer), and Aldermen Lane, Unwin, Mahony, Kay, Finnegan, Kelman, Kirk, Hicks, Bowden, Windsor, and Irons. The finance committee recommended that the overseer's salary be increased. The Granville Bicycle Club asked for a conference with the council re the proposed track in the park. Resolved to grant the conference.

LIVERPOOL.
At the last meeting of the above council, the Mayor (Alderman Moorehead) presiding, a letter was received from the Government Analyst, in reply to council's letter, recommending that any preparation of an alkaline nature be used to prevent the gas mains from corroding. The letter was referred to the gas committee. The Cabramatta and Canley Vale Council wrote relative to the expenditure of their grant and that of the Liverpool Council, for the Liverpool-Penrith-road, jointly, and intimating that they had called for tenders for material to effect the necessary improvements. The Mayor said he had conferred with the Mayor and other members of the Cabramatta and Canley Vale Council and agreed to the expenditure of the grants as suggested. It was resolved,—"That the council endorse the Mayor's action relative to the expenditure of the grant." The gas manager wrote in reply to certain statements made by Alderman C. A. Scrivener at the previous meeting relative to the placing of new pipes in lieu of defective ones, in Elizabeth-street, and with respect to that alderman's exception to his action in reporting the matter to the council before acquainting the gas committee. The letter was referred to Alderman C. A. Scrivener for consideration. The Mayor reported having made satisfactory arrangements for the clearing of certain roads at Glenfield. The report was adopted, and the action of the Mayor endorsed by the council. In reply to Alderman C. A. Scrivener, the Mayor said the site vested in the hands of the council for fire brigade purposes had not been transferred to the Fire Brigades' Board, as agreed upon conditionally, on account of difficulties raised by that body, also that he would place a report dealing with the whole matter on the table of the council at its next meeting. In reply to Alderman Christiansen, the Mayor promised to interview the Under-Secretary for Works respecting a grant for continuing the work of improvements to the main drain, also that he had interviewed Mr. Hickson relative to the necessity of the Government effecting repairs to the dam, and an engineer had been sent up to report on the matter. In reply to Alderman Scrivener, the Mayor stated that a subscription list had been prepared to raise the funds necessary to ensure the opening of the proposed road through Orange Grove Estate. Alderman Christiansen drew attention to the necessity for effecting repairs to the Kurrajong-road, and the Mayor promised to give the matter prompt attention.

NEWTOWN.
The Government have forwarded to the various municipal councils a copy of a bill introduced into the Legislature by Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867. The chief provisions of such amending bill are to give power to municipal councils under certain conditions as to advertising, &c., to lease unoccupied lands on which rates are due and are unpaid for a period of three years, and the council is unable to find the owner thereof. The council's power being to lease such lands for any period up to seven years, and to apply the proceeds for the payment of rates, &c. In case of the return of the owner the lessee is to be protected by his lease. After paying all rates and other expenses in connection with such lease the balance of the money received from rent (if any) to be handed over to the owner. The consideration of the bill by the Newtown aldermen came on at the last meeting of the council on Tuesday evening. Alderman Smith introduced the question. He said he was totally opposed to the bill. It was a proposal that would result in disastrous effects. It permitted an infringement of the sacred rights of property. He was strongly in favour of the American system, where, in the case of the owners of vacant lands going away and not intimating to the council their whereabouts, or neglecting to pay their rates, then the property was loaded to the extent of 8 per cent. The effect of such a system was that the owners of such land became interested in keeping their rates paid up instead of going away and not disclosing their whereabouts, as is too often the case now, and allowing the rates to accumulate. But the bill now before the Parliament of this country, if placed upon the statute book, would prove very disastrous to land-owners. A man might go away for 12 months on a trip, and after three months' notice in the "Government Gazette" the council had power to enter in upon that man's land and lease it over his head. He thought Mr. Fitzpatrick ought to be informed that the council declines to support such a measure. Alderman Morgan pointed out that as the Government had sent the proposed bill along for the consideration of the aldermen, the reply should be sent to them, and the Parliamentary representatives for the district should be asked to oppose the bill when it came on for consideration. Alderman Abigail said he had glanced at the bill while Alderman Smith had been speaking, and he also was satisfied that, from a legal standpoint, the bill was a most undesirable one, and would be a very dangerous addition to municipal law. He thought the bill was meant to apply to country lands of large areas more than to town allotments, yet all suburban councils were included in its provisions, and would be equally affected. He therefore thought it should not receive their approval. After further discussion Alderman Smith moved,—"That a letter be written to the Government to the effect that this council declines to approve of the provision of the bill, and asks the three Parliamentary representatives for the Newtown electorates to oppose the measure." The motion was seconded by Alderman Morgan and carried unanimously.

NORTH BOTANY.
This council met on the 1st instant. The Mayor (Alderman Coward) presided. There were also present—Aldermen Sparkes, Lee, Thornton, Gaarin, Reeve, and Pollett. Upon the reading of a letter from the Marrickville Council regarding the want of proper supervision and systematic inspection of animal food, and suggesting as a remedy a deputation to the Premier, Alderman Lee said he was of the opinion that more efficient inspection should be made, as no doubt much of the meat offered for sale was unfit for food. He moved that the council co-operate. Alderman Reeve seconded the motion. He considered the Government ought to take up the work. It was unreasonable to expect local inspectors under the present system to be able to devote the necessary time to the work. The motion was carried. The Government Statistician asked by letter for information as to the approximate area contained in the 27¼ miles of roads and streets in the municipality and the estimated value per acre. The letter was received. It was decided to grant a license to Thomas Bradley, of Kent-road, as a pig and poultry farmer under the Noxious Trades Act. Alderman Thornton directed the attention of the council to the recent re-arrangement of the tram fares and sections. He considered the 2d section ought to be extended to Gardener's-road. Alderman Sparkes said if that were done eight-tenths of the North Botany residents would receive no benefit. He considered the council had been wrong in the past in not advocating 1d sections for all trams to King-street. Alderman Lee said the loop at Gardener's-road was an obstacle, as the department did not care to incur the expense of another loop. Alderman Pollett said it was unfair that passengers from any part of the borough were now compelled to pay 3d to get to Redfern. It was decided to draw the attention of the department to the fact that the residents of North Botany had not in any way been benefited by the alteration in the fares.

ROCKDALE.
This council met on September 30, when Alderman John Clayton (Mayor) occupied the chair, and there were also present Aldermen Taylor, Trevarthen, Green, Dolgin, and Judd, J.P. The Marrickville Council sought co-operation in the matter of approaching the Premier respecting a systematic system of inspection of animal food. The Mayor said if his memory served him rightly the Public Health Act provided and made it compulsory for every municipality to establish its own slaughter-house, having of necessity to provide administration and inspection, and if a deputation waited upon the Premier he might point out to them the provisions of the Act. He approved of the system adopted by Germany, where veterinary surgeons were appointed inspectors, and they made ante-mortem as well as post-mortem examinations. He ridiculed the idea of inexperienced men being appointed inspectors. They might be very good men at other work, but were unfit to inspect slaughter-houses. Alderman Taylor urged that it was a matter the Municipal Association should deal with, and to them the matter was referred, Marrickville Council to be informed of the suggestion made. The Mayor here laid upon the table the Supplement of the "New South Wales Government Gazette" showing, amongst other matters, the fact that an Act had been passed, 60 Vic., No. 43, now No. 2, to sanction the construction of certain works for the improvement of Cook's River, near Tempe, with the object of providing for the better discharge of flood waters. The Deputy Postmaster-General, in response to the council's request for a later clearance of the letter-boxes in the Rockdale municipality, stated that as the posting-boxes on the tram line at Lady Robinson's Beach and at the Town Hall are cleared at 8.15 and 9.30 p.m. respectively, it has been decided that the other posting-boxes throughout Rockdale, and the Rockdale post-office, be timed to be cleared at 8.45 p.m. (Saturdays excepted), and the necessary instructions are being issued accordingly, the alteration to take effect on and from the 4th October. The aldermen generally expressed their satisfaction with the intended alteration. Alderman Judd brought under notice the fact that the residents of Darley-road, Arncliffe, were not receiving the benefit of a letter delivery, and he had been asked by the residents to move in the matter. Some time ago the Postal Inspector visited the locality and reported against it. He moved, Alderman Taylor seconded, and it was carried,—"That a letter be sent the Postmaster-General urging the matter."

WAVERLEY.
For a considerable time past the finances of the Waverley Council have been known to be in a very unsatisfactory state, in consequence of which Mr. George Christie was appointed to make a careful investigation of the books, &c., with a view of ascertaining as far as possible exactly the position of affairs. Mr. Christie's final report has been received and adopted by the council at its last meeting, at which a special report upon the question of the arrears and payment of the rates was submitted by the council clerk, Mr. John Clubb, which report stated that "the half-yearly statement of accounts has been duly audited and certified by the borough auditors, and is now laid before you in two forms, one on the separate sheet as formerly, and the original I have placed in a new book called the half-yearly balance book. This new departure will, I think, commend itself to you, and if only for reference should prove a most valuable book. In referring to the work of the past six months ended August 2, which could only be commenced about the second week of August, the previous half-year's work not then being completed, it is unnecessary, I think, to point out to you that this large amount of arrears of work was only accomplished after laborious hours of work for the past four months, from early morning until very late at nights. This has been a very heavy strain upon myself and the junior clerk, but it was found to be necessary owing to the way in which the work had been carried on in the past. The whole of the new books had to be commenced and written up for six months. In the voluntary accounts it was an impossibility for any accountant to ascertain from the books how matters stood between the council on the one hand and the ratepayers on the other, and necessitated thorough inquiry and investigation into these accounts and personal interviews with ratepayers. I found that a large number of ratepayers for many years were receiving the benefits of the service whose names did not appear upon the records of the council. This omission has been a heavy loss to the council. It was also found that personal and written notices of empty premises and discontinuances were utterly ignored. This has caused an immense amount of work and many allowances to be made. A number of accounts aggregating [illegible] were sent out to a number of ratepayers, some of which have been paid in their entirety, and others have been paid less rebates for empty premises. This account is now receiving special attention, and in the course of a few weeks will be in a more satisfactory condition. The arrears of rates at February 2 were very large, amounting to the sum of [illegible] 13s 7d. Of this amount the sum of [illegible] has been paid off to September 30, leaving the sum of [illegible] due to February 2, 1897. The current year's rates amount to the sum of £8942. The rate papers as you are aware, owing to the lateness of making the assessment, were not delivered until July 8. Since that date, up to September 30, a period of two and three-quarter months, the sum of £3387 has been paid, leaving the balance of current rates £5455. A vigorous effort will be put forth to reduce both of these amounts." The report was adopted.

BABIES ON FIRE, BABIES BURNING UP, with itching and burning eczemas, and other torturing, disfiguring skin and scalp humours. None but mothers realise how these little ones suffer when their tender skins are literally on fire. To know that a warm bath with CUTICURA SOAP and a single anointing with CUTICURA, purest of emollients and greatest of skin cures, will in the majority of cases afford instant relief, permit rest and sleep to both child and parent, and point to a speedy cure, and not to use them without a moment's delay is to fail in our duty. Think of the years of suffering entailed by such neglect, years not only of physical but mental suffering by reason of personal disfigurement added to bodily torture. Cures made in infancy and childhood are speedy, permanent, and economical.—Advt.

LAW REPORT.

Thursday, October 7.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.)

WESTON AND OTHERS v. WESTON AND OTHERS.

(Part heard.)

Mr. R. P. Owen and Mr. Harvey, instructed by Messrs. Jones and Jones, for the plaintiffs; Mr. Langer Owen and Mr. Harriott, instructed by Messrs. Cope and King, for the defendant trustees.

The hearing of this suit was resumed. The question involved is one of disputed boundary between two blocks of the East Hill Estate, Bankstown, held by members of the Weston family. The area affected by the dispute is about 138 acres.

Counsel having concluded their arguments, his Honor reserved judgment.

(Before his Honor Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson.)

THE BISHOP OF NEWCASTLE v. WALKER AND OTHERS.

(Part heard.)

Mr. Gregory Walker, Q.C., and Dr. Cullen, instructed by Messrs. Gould and Shaw, for the plaintiff; Mr. G. E. Rich and Mr. Newnham, instructed by Messrs. Sparke and Millard, of Newcastle (Messrs. Weaver and Hale agents), for the defendants the Rev. G. M. Brown, Sydney Short, George Maddison, and George Thornbury, churchwardens of Lambton parish; Mr. R. K. Manning, instructed by Mr. R. A. Mackenzie, of Newcastle (Messrs. Mackenzie and Mackenzie agents), for the defendants the Rev. A. Shaw, H. D. Walsh, William Harris, and A. A. P. Tighe, clergyman and churchwardens of Waratah parish; Mr. W. Tighe, instructed by Mr. W. H. Baker, of Wallsend (Messrs. Mackenzie and Mackenzie agents), for the defendants the Rev. A. M. Walker, C. S. Bennett, William Craggs, and Henry Baldwin, clergyman and churchwardens of the Wallsend parish; Mr. Russell, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared for the defendant the Attorney-General.

This is a suit to determine the rights of the parishes interested in the sum of £966, the proceeds of the sale of the parsonage in the district of Lambton.

Mr. Rich and Mr. Newnham having been heard on behalf of the parish of Lambton, Mr. Tighe and Mr. R. K. Manning stated, in reply to his Honor, that the parishes of Wallsend and Waratah would be quite content if the amount were equally divided between the parishes of Wallsend, Lambton, and Waratah.

His Honor, in giving judgment, said the first and most important question was, What were the original trusts attaching to the property? The second was, What was, if the original trusts could not be carried out in their entirety in consequence of the changed circumstances—what was the nearest way of carrying them out which the Court could arrive at? It appeared that in 1870 the parish of Wallsend consisted of the districts of Wallsend, Lambton, and Waratah; and, although each had a church of its own, it was impossible to say which was the parish church. In 1871 a piece of land containing 17¼ acres, with a cottage thereon, was purchased, and it appeared from the report of the late Rev. Spicer Woods, published in 1872, that the trusts upon which the property was bought were for the purpose of a residence for the incumbent of the parish of Wallsend, and that was the only construction the Court could adopt. It was not necessary to consider what the Court would have done if it had been asked in 1873 to formulate a scheme, or whether it would have decided that by joining the parish of Wickham the inhabitants of Waratah lost, either temporarily or permanently, their rights as members of the parish of Wallsend. It seemed to him that they did not necessarily lose those rights, because the primary objects of the trust, as he read them, were for the benefit of the three districts of Wallsend, Lambton, and Waratah, and they were as much for the benefit of one as the others. After referring to the various changes in the constitution of the parishes, His Honor said that it seemed to him that there were three possible ways of deciding the matter. The first was that the trust was for the parish of Wallsend, and that it was entitled to the whole of the fund; but this was impossible, because there was no parish which could be identified with the old parish of Wallsend. Neither of the three districts was entitled to be considered the old parish of Wallsend, the primary object of the trust being to provide a parsonage for all the districts. The second alternative was that inasmuch as the parsonage happened to be situated within the district of Lambton, therefore, Lambton was entitled to the proceeds arising from its sale. The third way of regarding the matter was that as the primary object of the trust was for the benefit of the three districts, and a parsonage could not be provided for each, there was nothing to prevent the Court from dividing the money. Although the Bishop would have no right to alter the trust, he did not see why the Court should not endeavour to read the trust in the light of the reports, which showed what the money was collected for. If Lambton had been able to claim the proceeds, the other districts would have said that the money should be devoted to the purchase of three lots of land; but obviously that would have been very inconvenient. When there was a clear indication that the parsonage was originally intended for the benefit of the three districts it could not be contended that simply because the house was within one of the districts the proceeds of the sale should be given to that district. If the fund was to be divided the nearest way in which the Court could carry out the trust was to decide that the fund must be held for the benefit of the three districts, as far as possible in accordance with the original trusts. The money could not be devoted to any purpose to which the churchwardens might chose to put it. It might be appropriated for the keeping up of parsonages or for paying the rents of parsonages. The plaintiff would have to pay the costs of the Attorney-General, and deduct them with his own from the fund. The balance would have to be equally divided between the parishes of Wallsend, Lambton, and Waratah, and the representatives of each parish would be entitled to have their costs as between solicitor and client out of their share.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson.)

RE OSMOND RIVERS.

Mr. Boyce, instructed by Mr. R. H. Levien, appeared for Osmond Rivers in support of an application to set aside a bankruptcy notice dated September 7 last; Mr. R. K. Manning, instructed by Messrs. Waldron and Dawson, appeared for Mr. C. L. Smith, the judgment creditor, to oppose the motion. It appeared that Smith obtained a judgment against Rivers for £89 19s, and served him with a bankruptcy notice on September 7. Rivers now sought to have the notice set aside on the ground that he had a counter claim against Smith in respect of an action to recover damages for breach of contract in regard to the lease of an hotel.

The matter was adjourned to the 15th instant in order to allow evidence to be called in proof of applicant's counter claim and thus obviate the necessity of an Equity suit.

(Before the Registrar.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re George Davidson. This application was by consent adjourned for three weeks.

Re Alfred V. Grono. This application was adjourned for a fortnight.

RELEASE OF ESTATE.

Re William Goldspring. There being no appearance in this matter it was struck out.

Re Harry Wood Kerle and William Kenwood. This application was adjourned for a week.

Re Francis John Godfrey Tate. This matter was adjourned to the 28th instant.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re John Joseph Carroll. The bankrupt did not appear and the meeting was adjourned for a week.

Re George Alfred Cox. The bankrupt was present, and was examined by Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee, and said that he carried on a tea business before his bankruptcy. He had filed amended accounts. The meeting closed.

Re Charles Henry. The bankrupt was present, and was examined by the official assignee. He said that he had never been bankrupt before, but in September, 1884, he assigned his estate to trustees in Melbourne for the benefit of his creditors. He was a draper at South Melbourne. The estate yielded 18s 6d in the £. After that he went to New Zealand, and remained there for three years in a warehouse. He then came to Sydney and was in a warehouse here for seven years. In 1894 he entered into partnership in a clothing business. His partners had to find the money, but as they could not do so the business was wound up after four months. Since then he had carried on business as a broker. The debt proved by Edward Hayle was incurred in a divorce suit, brought by Hayle against his wife, heard in Melbourne in 1884. He was named as co-respondent, and being away in New Zealand at the time he knew nothing of the suit until some time afterwards. The petition was dismissed, but in his absence the Judge made an order against him for a certain portion of the costs. In December, 1884, his family's furniture was levied upon and everything sold. He never heard anything more about the matter until December, 1895, though he had been to Melbourne dozens of times in the interval. Judgment for the costs was obtained against him on a Victorian memorial of judgment, though on several occasions he made an offer of compromise. Hayle was his only creditor, and as he could not pay the amount of his debt he sequestrated his estate. The meeting closed.

Re Frank Savage Chidgey. The bankrupt being an inmate of the hospital through illness, the meeting was adjourned till November 11.

Re George Alick Colbert. The bankrupt was present, and was examined by the official assignee, and stated that he had never been bankrupt before. His bankruptcy was caused by loss on a contract which he entered into with a man named Peter Lucas for the alteration of an oyster saloon. The meeting was adjourned to the 21st instant.

Re Lewis Benjamin. The bankrupt was present, and was examined by the official assignee. He said that he was a saddler and harness-maker, and had never been bankrupt before. His bankruptcy was due to his inability to pay certain costs. His business was a successful one until the bank failures. The meeting then closed.

Re Percy Scarr. The bankrupt was present, and was examined by the official assignee. He said that he had never been bankrupt before, but two years ago he compromised with three of his creditors and paid them 5s in the £. He tried to compromise with the other creditors, but did not succeed. His position in the service was principal assistant engineer for roads. His salary was £700 less £28 per year towards the Superannuation Fund. The creditors with whom he compromised were Messrs. David Jones and Co., Peate and Harcourt, and Laurence and M'Lachlan. He was willing to pay £100 per year towards the liquidation of his debts, so long as he retained his present position. That was the most he could offer. He had five children dependent upon him, four of whom were daughters. The youngest member of the family was a boy aged 16. His position was largely affected by the depreciation in the value of real property. He had been in the Government service for 30 years, and had been drawing over £500 a year since 1891. The creditor who was particularly pressing him was the Savings Bank of New South Wales, who was the mortgagee of a house and land at Bathurst. In 1884 and 1885 he was road superintendent at Orange, and he bought the land at Bathurst, where his family resided, and erected a house upon it. The first cost of the property was £4000, and the Savings Bank advanced him £2000 after the house was completed. He valued the property now at £1500, estimated on the amount of rent derived. In August the bank threatened to take proceedings against him after obtaining judgment, and he then took steps to sequestrate his estate. The Savings Bank had been collecting the rent since March last. In May of this year a bankruptcy notice was served upon him by James Bonnor, of Orange, for his (bankrupt's) share in a land transaction. Bonnor originally took proceedings against him in 1883. The amount due by him was £175, and he consented to Bonnor obtaining judgment against him upon Bonnor promising to allow him easy terms of payment. No demand was made upon him by Bonnor until he served him with the bankruptcy notice. He then came to an arrangement by which he was to pay Bonnor £5 per month up to the 1st February, and subsequently £10 per month. He also gave up his interest in the land, which was to be taken as part payment of the debt. He had paid £15 of the amount. He anticipated that there would be a rise in the value of property, in which case he hoped to be able to pay all his creditors. In July, 1896, he borrowed £40 from the Assets Realisation Company to pay the premium on a policy and a loan in the National Mutual Insurance Company. He borrowed the money on a promissory note endorsed by two friends, and he had not paid the amount. T. H. Lake was a money lender, and he had had transactions with him since May, 1896. He was not prepared to make the offer suggested by Mr. Perkins of £23 per month towards the payment of his debts, to be secured by a bill of sale over his furniture. The meeting was then adjourned for a week to give the bankrupt time to consider what offer he would make, the Registrar having intimated that he did not think £100 per annum sufficient. Mr. Perkins (of Messrs. Perkins and Williams) appeared for certain proved creditors; and Mr. E. A. Smith (of Messrs. Macnamara and Smith) for the bankrupt.

Re James Andrew Patten and Daniel Propsting. The bankrupts attended, and were examined by Mr. Lewis Levy, who appeared for the official assignee. The meeting was then adjourned to the 28th instant, and the bankrupts were ordered to file accounts by the 21st instant.

Re W. M. Maclardy. On the application of the official assignee the examination was adjourned for a week.

Re Sidney William Heath, builder. The bankrupt appeared, and under examination by the official assignee said he assigned his estate about nine years ago, and it realised 10s or 12s 6d in the £. His failure was due to over-speculation, and not being able to get a market. The meeting then closed.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATION.

William Thomas Dempsey, of Milthorpe, labourer. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Friday, October 8.

Chamber List.—Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, at Chancery-square.—At 10.30 a.m.: Nichols v. Aplin, ex parte Nicholson (habeas corpus), Horn v. Sachs, ex parte Alldis, Gow and others v. Murray (Borough of Waverley garnishee).

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 10 a.m., motions generally: Stewart v. Mooney, motion for injunction; Pratten and another v. Taylor, motion for injunction; Haskett v. Brown, hearing; Union Bank of Australia, Limited, v. Ryan, motion for decree; Merriman v. Perpetual Trustee Company, Limited, further consideration; re will of D. C. M'Gregor, deceased, and Trust Property Act, 1862, petition to postpone sale.

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Lunacy. At 2 p.m.: Company matters. At 3 p.m.: Mutual Assurance Society v. Selig, to settle draft certificate; Pope v. Woods, to settle minutes of order; Browne v. Browne, motion for decree. Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 9.45 a.m.: Crampton v. Foster, adjourned taxation. At 11 a.m.: Selby v. Selby, to tax costs; same v. same, ditto; same v. same, ditto; same v. same, ditto; same v. same, ditto. Before the Chief Clerk in Equity.—At 2.30 p.m.: Daily Post Newspaper Company, Limited, and Companies Act, to pass accounts; Federal Reversionary Investment Company, to pass accounts.

Probate Office.—Before the Registrar.—At 10 a.m.: To proceed on accounts in the following estates:—Hugh Norton. At 11 a.m.: Richard F. Hornsby, James E. Vallack.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 11 a.m.: Re Michael Drew, hearing of proofs of debt of C. M. Boyce, P. Bourke, N. Collins, W. E. Dwyer; re Mary Jane Heil, examination under section 3.

Before the Chief Clerk.—Taxation of costs. At 2.10 p.m.: Re Hugh Bridson. At 2.30 p.m.: Re Phillips.

DISTRICT COURT.—Friday, October 8.

(Before his Honor Judge Backhouse, at 10 a.m.)

Application to Examine Judgment Debtor.—Pickburn v. Cleeve, Lindeman v. Montagu, Douglas v. Guerin, Christie v. Moriarty, Dooley and others v. Gilshennen, Salier and others v. Russell, Rich v. Wild, Shadler v. Hogan, Salier and others v. Jones and others, Jamieson v. Franks, Ash v. Jarvis, Bowyer and others v. Marks, O'Neill v. Burfitt, Ricketts v. Adams, Yeend v. Conlon, Callaghan v. Smith, Millett v. Dodwell, Singer v. Cohen, Beetham v. Taylor, Perkins v. Blackmore, Hyam v. Minahan, Booker v. Robinson, Hyam v. Poole, Booker v. Springfield, Booker v. Springfield and others, Butler v. Armstrong, Perkins and others v. Collier.

Application for Ca. Sa.—Fish and others v. Richards and others, Johnston v. Norwing, Symonds v. May, Lane v. Perkins, Firman v. Hawthorne, Glover v. King, Terry v. Birmingham, Jonsen v. Earl, Switson v. Barker, Kelly v. Guerin, Proudfoot v. Fletcher, Cormack v. Dobbie, Stoneford v. Hartley (garnishee Corlette), Nelson and another v. Sherring, Hurst v. Montefiore, Humphries v. Sheed, Symonds v. Airey, Tirelli v. Vernay, Fish and another v. Harpur, Lucas v. Sargent, Fish and another v. Brown, Smith v. Otto, Smith v. Harbord, Andrew and another v. Andoris, Ferae and others v. Lippmann, Wilkie v. Macnamara, Lucas v. M'Cormack, Lucas v. Dwyer, Lake v. Donelly, Parker v. Dickson, Parker v. Lupton, Israel v. Harpur.

Order for Examining Judgment Debtor.—Sydney Soap and Candle Company, Limited, v. Broinowski, Booker v. Taylor, Foorsberg v. Richards, Archer v. Lewis, Aurousseau v. Furness, London v. Taylor, Goodlet and another v. M'Laughlin, Smith v. Aney, Friedman v. Lambert and another, Waldron and another v. Thomas, Liebmann v. Lyons, Laird v. Weir, Clubbe v. Kennedy and another, Curran v. Lamb, Latimer v. Hill, Sands and another v. Marks.

Applications for Garnishee Orders.—Best v. Murray (Farley and Macarty garnishees), MacLachlan v. Ansell (Chapman garnishee), Shaw v. Weitzel (Freidenreich garnishee), Smith v. Eales (Russell-Jones garnishee).

Summons to Show Cause.—Clarke v. Russell, Walsh v. Jacobs and another, Central Agency v. Green.

POLICE COURTS.

Embezzlement and Alleged Illegally Pawning.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. W. Edwards, S.M., Walter Ezra Wink, 34, on remand, was convicted of embezzling 17s, the property of Edward Mooney, saddler, of Oxford-street, by whom he was employed as traveller and collector. Accused was sentenced to one month's gaol; and was committed for trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions at Darlinghurst on a charge of illegally pawning 24 leather rug-straps and eight leather satchels, also the property of his master.

A Suspected Person.—James Baker, 63, a tailor, was charged before Mr. Edwards, S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, with being a suspected person frequenting the Union Company's wharf, off Sussex-street, with intent to commit a felony—to wit, to steal. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

Petty Thefts.—For stealing a tablecloth, valued at 10s, a laundress named Mary Thompson, 45, was yesterday fined 10s, in default 21 days' gaol, by Mr. Edwards, S.M., who presided in the charge division of the Water Police Court. At the same court Daniel Robinson, 39, and Patrick Brodie, 55, were each fined £2, in default 21 days' imprisonment, for stealing a quantity of metal and stereotype valued at £2, the property of Michael Austin Cleary.

Committed for Trial.—At the Central Police Court, before Mr. Isaacs, S.M., yesterday, Mary Clark, 27, or Williams, was committed for trial at the sessions on a charge of stealing a gold watch and chain, &c., worth £45, and £4 17s 6d, belonging to Locke Rutherford Darling. Constable Barnes deposed that at about 2.15 a.m. that day he saw accused, who was followed by Darling, in Liverpool-street, going towards Hyde Park. He heard Darling say, "Give me the money you've robbed me of." Prosecutor gave Clark in charge, and said he had got the watch, &c., and his money, with the exception of two sovereigns. The female searcher at the Central Police Station found two sovereigns on accused, who also had a half-sovereign and four half-crowns in a purse. Darling deposed he was in a house when he saw accused take his money.

Suspected Persons.—Thomas Garland, 27, and Ernest Atkinson, 26, were sentenced to two months' and one month's imprisonment respectively, at the Central Police Court yesterday, on a charge of being suspected persons frequenting Hay-street with intent to steal.

Theft of Harness.—At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Delohery, S.M., James Hargreaves, aged 25, and Benjamin Valance, aged 23, were charged with having stolen two pairs of winkers, of the value of 30s, the property of John Daly, on or about the 3rd instant. Valance was also charged with having resisted Senior-constable Bourke whilst in the execution of his duty. Further with having fraudulently appropriated to his own use a bag of potatoes, a bag of onions, and two cases apples, of the total value of £1, the property of John Daly, on May 25, 1897. The accused were each ordered to be imprisoned, with hard labour, for six months. The charge of fraudulent appropriation was withdrawn, as the prosecutor did not wish to proceed further in the matter.

A Dishonest Act.—At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Delohery, S.M., Alfred Collins, aged 14, was charged with having stolen the sum of £1, the property of Mary Pantlin, on September 24, 1897. Evidence was given that Mrs. Pantlin, on the date mentioned, gave the accused a £1 note to change into silver for her. He went to get the change, but never returned. Accused pleaded guilty, and was at the request of his father sent on board the Sobraon in lieu of imprisonment for 21 days.

Theft from a Shop.—At the Redfern Police Court yesterday before Mr. Delohery, S.M., William Barrington, aged 18, and Edward Bosden, aged 25, were charged with having in company stolen a roll of window blind material valued at 18s 9d, the property of John Edward Puckering, of 201 Elizabeth-street, Redfern, on October 2, 1897. John Edward Puckering identified the goods as his property, and stated that they were stolen from the front of his shop. Barrington was ordered to pay a fine of £1, in default imprisonment for 21 days. Bosden, who had been previously convicted, was ordered to be imprisoned for one month with hard labour.

Charge of Assault.—At the Glebe Police Court yesterday before Mr. Addison, S.M., an Italian named Giuseppo Zimmo, a fruiterer, residing at Parramatta-road, Annandale, was charged with having committed an assault upon a boy named Gerolamo Bombella, of the age of 12 years. The accused was committed to take his trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions.

STREET MUSICIANS CHARGED WITH BEGGING.

At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Delohery, S.M., a blind man named Thomas Harding, aged 38, and a helpless cripple named John Manning, aged 46, were each charged with having been found begging alms in Raglan-street, Alexandria. Mr. Crick appeared for the defence. The case of Harding was taken first by consent. Constable Brennan gave evidence that acting under instructions he was in plain clothes on the afternoon of September 30. He saw Harding in Raglan-street, Alexandria. He was being led about by a little girl. The accused entered several places of business and at each place received a penny, which was deposited in a tin box he was carrying. The girl also carried a tin box. Witness spoke to Harding and told him that he was going to arrest him for soliciting alms. Harding replied "that he saw no harm in what he was doing." On searching him at the police station witness found a purse in his pocket which contained £3 6s 1½d, and in the tin box that he was carrying there was an additional sum of about 2s 10½d all in coppers, which amount Harding stated he had collected that day.

In answer to Mr. Crick the witness said he received instructions to take action from Inspector Lawless. He did not know whether the instructions came from headquarters or not. Witness had not proceeded against the German band nor against the Italians. At the time of his arrest Harding had an organ, which he was playing in the street.

Mr. Crick submitted to the magistrate that the fact of the accused playing an organ ought to have been quite sufficient for the police to have known better than arrest him upon a charge of begging. There was no offence whatever.

Mr. Delohery said he was quite satisfied that these people should not have been interfered with no more than members of the German band could be arrested on a charge of begging, because they went round among gentlemen's houses at night playing their instruments, and for which they received aid by way of contributions from the residents.

Mr. Crick said he did not think instructions to take action came from headquarters at all. He was inclined to believe that it was a local decision on the part of the officer in charge of the division, and that it all arose from the evidence given by a boy charged by one of the men now before the Court with stealing his money. This boy stated that his employer was a man possessing wealth and lent money out at interest. The daily press reported the evidence, and this had the result of not only doing the blind men an injury by way of lowering their income through a falling-off of donations, but it had led to their arrest. He thought the police ought to be engaged in work of a different kind. He was sorry that he could not get costs against the police, or he would apply for them at once.

As the accused persons left the court they were heartily congratulated by a number of friends, among whom were several blind street musicians.

At the same court Michael Long, aged 50, was charged with begging in Regent-street, Redfern. Senior-constable Cochran stated that he saw the accused on Wednesday afternoon enter several shops in Regent-street. In two cases he received food, and in the third case he was refused. The accused said he did not remember anything about it. He was drunk at the time, and was on his way to the Benevolent Asylum, for which institution he had an order for admittance. He was ordered to be imprisoned for seven days.

THE DEATH OF SENIOR-CONSTABLE MURROW.

VERDICT OF WILFUL MURDER.

At the United Service Hotel, Oxford-street, Paddington, yesterday, the City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.) resumed the inquest touching the death of Senior-Constable Murrow. As on the previous day Daniel Conway, a young fireman, was present in custody. Evidence was given by James Codd, a grocer, who was in deceased's company from 11 o'clock on the morning of the 4th instant until he received the injuries to his head which terminated fatally. His statement bore out the evidence given on the previous day tending to show that a struggle had taken place between Murrow and Conway, and that the latter struck the first blow. They fell together in the struggle, and deceased's head was injured by striking against the roadway. Conway then ran away, but was followed by a draper named Charles Nolan, who called upon him to stop when he saw that the constable had fallen. Conway stopped, and was taken into custody by two water policemen, whom Nolan informed of the occurrence. The jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against Conway, and he was committed to take his trial at the next sittings of the Central Criminal Court at Darlinghurst.

MINING AT MIDDLE FLAT.

Mr. W. H. J. Slee, Chief Inspector of Mines, has forwarded to the Minister for Mines a report on a recent visit made by him in company with Mr. Warden J. F. M'Kensey, P.M., of Cooma, to the new gold discoveries at Middle Flat, about five miles from Cooma, situated on the freehold of Messrs. Godwin, parish of Bunyan. The discovery was made by Britton and party in a diorite formation, and a trial crushing taken out by them from near the surface averaged 1oz. 5dwt. of gold per ton. The quartz vein occurs in lenticular blocks, and although the strike of Britton's vein is north-east, indications are not wanting that discoveries will be made of quartz veins in the above-mentioned diorite formation, whose strike will be towards nearly all points of the compass. In fact, it may be termed a network of quartz veins. Whatever auriferous quartz veins will be discovered in the diorite formation, which stretches from Britton's reef to within one mile of the town of Cooma, will occur, Mr. Slee says, in lenticular shaped blocks, and very probably not one of these blocks will reach a continuous length or depth of say 100ft. Hence parties working in these veins must closely observe any faulting that has taken place. He strongly advises prospectors in the abovenamed locality to do their work by trenching, and not sink until a shoot of gold has first been discovered. There may be many auriferous shoots in the quartz veins between Britton's claim and Cooma. Those on the slate formation such as Stewart and party, if they discovered payable gold would be completely distinct from anything discovered in the diorite by Britton and party. Edward Perkins and party are working near Bushy Hill, on the temporary common, in the porphyry formation, within a mile and a quarter from Cooma, on a narrow quartz vein, in which good gold can be seen with the naked eye. Although the vein is narrow and the country rock very hard, it is nevertheless a prospecting venture, and if payable gold should be discovered it is likely to be of a more permanent nature than the quartz veins near Middle Flat. A syndicate known as the Dartmoor is also prospecting about four and a half miles east of Cooma, in a locality known as the Green Hills. So far the lode, consisting of silver and copper with a small percentage of gold, has been taken out from a width of 2ft. to 4ft. and to a depth of 20ft. from the surface. The manager informed Mr. Slee that 12 tons of ore forwarded to the Wallaroo Reduction Works yielded 9 per cent. of copper and 30oz. of silver per ton; and 6 tons treated at Dapto yielded 14 per cent. of copper and 59oz. of silver, also gold to the amount of slightly under 4dwt. per ton. This lode, Mr. Slee thinks, is well worth thorough, systematic prospecting. Cowra Creek, about 25 miles from Cooma, was also visited by Mr. Slee. There are still five different quartz-crushing plants on this field, three of which were crushing. The number of miners has, however, been greatly reduced during the year, notwithstanding that payable gold is still being obtained by a few parties of miners, and further prospecting about the district may probably bring forth favourable results.

THE CAUSE OF PEACE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I am glad to note by the remarks of our Premier at a recent meeting that he considers there is something that will conduce to the glory of a nation besides the exchange of troops and the doubtful ambition of being distinguished for complete preparation for the slaughter of our enemies. We, as a young nation, are not surely prepared to follow in the footsteps of the European nations, whose men stand to-day in battle array, ready and longing to decide by brute force which is the better. The time is surely coming when the huge war-plains of Europe will bring forth waving corn and food for the perishing, instead of millions of disease germs, which destroy thousands of men ere ever the battle is over. Last year Europe spent on behalf of war and preparations therefor £212,000,000, and it is getting a very serious question the world over where this thing is going to end. There has been a universal petition representing the promoters of peace the world over presented to the 32 Christian Governments of the world, each petition signed by 165 individuals representing the various Churches and other religious societies. The names have been engrossed, and include those of Rabbi Davis, the Bishop of Sydney, chairman of Congregational Union, president of Wesleyan Conference, moderator of Presbyterian Assembly, colonel of the Salvation Army, who all favour the disarming of the nations, and the settlement of disputes by arbitration. Arbitration will save the nations millions of pounds, and, what is more valuable, millions of their best men. A year ago the conflict in Cuba was costing Spain £35,000 a day to support her soldiers and maintain her cruisers, sloops, &c. She had to maintain 100,000 soldiers then in the island. The Crimean War cost Great Britain £70,000,000. The American Civil War cost 10,000,000,000dols., and the lives of 803,000 men. War is a tremendous drain and strain on a nation, while the horror of the dying and decaying bodies on a battle-field cannot even be imagined. On the battle-fields more die of disease than by the sword, for the horrible insanitary conditions can never be remedied. More than 100 national disputes have been settled by arbitration this century. Arbitration is not impracticable, but incumbent on a Christian nation, which ought not to engage in war. In May last the Governments of Peru and Bolivia submitted the dispute re territorial rights to the arbitration of Spain; President Faure, of France, accepted the position of arbitrator in the dispute between Costa Rica and Columbia, and Senator Vigliani, who gave his decision in the Manica boundary difficulty between Great Britain and Portugal, was highly honoured and decorated by our Queen and also by Don Carlos, less than a year ago. Norway has agreed to the beneficial results of arbitration in cases of disputes between nations, and many other recent cases of arbitration could be cited proving its benefits and practicability. I hope the men and women of this young land will do all in their power to encourage our young people to discard all feelings of revenge in case of injury and live as honoured citizens of a Christian nation. I am, &c.,

October 6. ELIZA POTTIE.

A SUCCESSFUL CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT.

INAUGURATION OF A NEW WOOL AND PRODUCE COMPANY.

DIRECT SHIPMENTS TO MANUFACTURERS.

If any evidence were wanting to prove the truth of the assertion that, notwithstanding the heavy fall in the price of wool that has taken place during the past decade, the wool-producing industry is still a very important one—in fact, the most important, even when contrasted with the value of the coal and metalliferous products of the colony—it was amply furnished by the busy scene enacted yesterday in connection with the inauguration with the Co-operative Wool and Produce Company, Limited, whose premises are situated opposite Central Wharf, Miller's Point. As its name indicates the new institution is based upon the co-operative principle, which has proved eminently successful both in the old and the new world in building up important organisations, the profits of which, instead of going into the pockets of the middlemen, are distributed amongst the producers who assist to build up the business, and who, as a matter of fact, are the sole factors in its success.

At the time appointed for the opening—10.30 a.m.—a large number of the most influential commercial men of Sydney had assembled, together with prominent pastoralists from the adjoining colonies, whilst there was a representative attendance of wool-buyers from England, France, Germany, and other parts of the European Continent, most of them having arrived by the M.M. Australien and the P. and O. steamer China. The full strength of the Woolbrokers' Association was specially manifested; whilst one could not help noticing the presence of a number of outside buyers. The visitors generally spoke in the highest terms of praise of the excellent facilities afforded to the wool experts to examine in the best possible light the 1500 bales forwarded from 12 different stations.

The main point in a modern wool store is to ensure a perfect light in the sampling-room. The top floor of the co-operative store fulfils this requirement to perfection. It consists of a larger unbroken area (free from pillar, post, or obstruction of any kind) than any wool store in Australia. The utmost satisfaction was expressed during the morning (devoted to sampling and valuing work) by the large and influential attendance of buyers. The rows of bales open for inspection presented a uniform and attractive appearance, which means so much to buyers. An article must not only be good, but must be well displayed. Clients of the company need have no fear on this score when we say that Mr. W. Robertson presides over this department. The other floors (all presenting a "filled" appearance) are roomy, and replete with every modern convenience. The largest hydraulic lift in Australia is attached to the store. It elevates from the wharfs, nearly 100ft. below, to the street level above a trolly carrying 20 tons, and four horses. This interesting sight can be viewed any day. Bales are also received at the street level, and dropped through shoots from floor to floor until they reach the wharf below, thus causing a minimum of handling. Several wharfs are attached to the stores, and the facility for despatch in export or import is admirable. The directors of the company, together with the secretary, Mr. Oswald M'Master, were present at the stores during the morning, and did the honours of their magnificent wool repository.

It is understood that the total number of bales to be handled by the company in the first season is definitely placed at 20,000; but it is believed a larger figure will be reached, the smaller growers having apparently now decided to support the company.

A striking circumstance was the fact that a considerable quantity of the wool forward came from stations never previously represented at any Sydney saleroom, having always been sent to London to be sold. For instance, Mr. James Leslie and his brother, who own Lerida station, in Queensland, shear 250,000 sheep a year, and for a long time have forwarded the bulk of their valuable wool clip to London for sale, but Mr. James Leslie having become a director of the Co-operative Company, this wool will in future be sold in Sydney. The same remarks apply to the wool clips of the other directors and shareholders. The advantage of this arrangement is twofold. In the first place the wool-producers will receive their money much sooner than if the wool were sold in London, besides escaping several charges incidental to sale in the London market; and in the second place the community will benefit monetarily by the sale of the wool in Sydney. Indeed, the company is hopeful that the principle of co-operation will appeal as strongly to the strongest sympathies of pastoralists, i.e., their pockets, that it will result in the bulk of the wool now sent to London to be sold being disposed of in Sydney.

The site of the warehouse is unequalled in regard to the advantages it affords for loading wool in a rapid manner, with the least possible labour and cost, on the largest ocean-going "tramp" steamers or sailing vessels. Hence the directors look forward confidently to the time when wool vessels will load at the company's wharf, and proceed direct either to London, Glasgow, or Manchester, according to their charter. It is scarcely necessary to point out to the reader that if a vessel can be sent direct with a shipload of wool to the Glasgow manufacturers on the banks of the Clyde it will mean a large saving in London charges and reshipping into a coaster from London to Glasgow. At the present time the directors are negotiating with a view of arranging that vessels loading wool shall proceed direct to the heart of the great manufacturing trade of England by means of the Manchester ship canal. Hence the day is not far distant when the Manchester manufacturers may clasp hands with the pastoralists of New South Wales across the wide expanse of water that divides them.

THE INAUGURAL SALE.

Considerable interest centred round the first sale held by the company in the Wool Exchange during the afternoon. There was a large gathering of buyers from England, France, and Germany, and competition was so spirited that the highest price realised overtopped that obtained at the sales held the previous day.

The sale was conducted by Mr. George H. Maxham.

Of the beautifully bred wool marked JMA, from Willow Tree, the super wethers realised the top price of 10d, and the superclothing wethers 9½d, super combing hoggets at 9½d, first combing hoggets at 9d, broken hoggets and wethers at 7½, and first pieces at 7¼d. These prices show that the buyers fully appreciate efforts to place first-class wool upon the market. Another well-known brand, FWB over Dumble, from Goodooga, needs no comment, as it opened up in beautiful order. The following prices speak for themselves:—A second ewes at 8¾d, A ewes and hoggets at 8d, clothing at 8d, broken at 7¼d. Binnia, from Coolah, opened out "yolky," and carrying a little more burr than usual. The following are the prices realised:—A wethers at 8d, B wethers at 7¼d, 1 pieces at 6¼d, 2 pieces at 5¼d, bellies at 4¼d. The first portion of the WBY clip, from Cassilis, opened out well, carrying a good deal more tip than usual, no doubt the effect of the bad season experienced in that district. This clip realised the following prices:—Ewes and wethers up to 8d, rams, 7¼d; first pieces, 7d; bellies, 4¼d. We offered the first portion of the Bimble over WGT clip, and the owner must be congratulated by the manner in which this wool has reached the market, as the following prices will show—AA hoggets, 7¼d; necks, 7d; first pieces, 6¼d; second pieces, 5¼d; bellies, 5¼d. AH&S over Pian Creek, from Wee Waa, was another brand offered. The wethers of this lot opened up bright, sound, and a little "skirty." The price obtained was 7¼d. The hoggets brought 7¼d and ewes 6¼d. DMcM over Tooloom, from Coonamble, which opened up in splendid order, hoggets realising up to 7¼d, broken up to 7d, pieces to 6¼d; TS over Pibbon, lambs up to 7¼d, pieces 7d; OMK over Pibbon: this wool opened up sound, but carried a good deal more dusty tips than usual; the lambs sold up to 7¼d and the pieces 7¼d. A small lot from Warren, TT over RV, realised up to 7¼d, and a clip from Condobolin branded Hyandra Lower brought 7¼d. The scoured portion of the catalogue consisted of the following:—RFS over W, 1 combing hoggets at 14¼d, 1 fleece at 14¼d, 2 fleece at 13¾d, bellies at 14d; 2 pieces at 12¾d. This wool showed careful handling. The well-known clip branded Leslie, from Barcaldine, Queensland, 2 clothing at 13¼d, pieces at 11d, 1 stained pieces at 10d, locks at 9¾d.

The following are the lots sold:—

Greasy: TT over RV, from near Warren, 10 bales at 7d; DMcM over Tooloom, from Coonamble, 22 A hoggets at 7¼d, 7 B hoggets at 7¼d, 14 broken at 7¼d, 11 pieces hoggets at 6¼d, 4 bellies hoggets at 4¼d, 53 A ewes at 7¼d, 19 B ewes at 6d, 38 broken ewes at 7d, 26 pieces ewes at 6¼d, 6 second pieces ewes at 4¼d, 10 bellies ewes at 4d, 7 rams at 6¼d, 5 crossbred at 6¼d; Binnia, from Coolah, 47 A wethers at 8d, 9 B wethers at 7¼d, 12 first pieces at 6¼d, 20 second pieces at 5¼d, 7 bellies at 4¼d; JMA, from Willow Tree, super combing hoggets at 9¼d, 5 first combing hoggets at 9d, 13 broken hoggets at 7d, 27 super combing wethers at 10d, 13 first combing wethers at 9¼d, 6 super clothing wethers at 9¾d, 18 broken wethers at 7d, 12 first pieces wethers at 7¼d, 8 second pieces wethers and hoggets at 5d, 8 bellies wethers and hoggets at 4¼d, 7 super combing ewes at 8¼d, 11 first combing ewes at 8d, 16 super and first clothing ewes at 8¾d, 4 dingy at 6¼d, 25 broken ewes at 6¼d, 5 second pieces ewes at 4¼d 4 stained pieces at 2¼d, 9 bellies at 4¼d, 5 locks at 2d, 16 first crossbred at 7d, 11 crossbred at 6¼d, 31 broken crossbred at 5¼d, 5 second pieces crossbred at 4¼d, 4 bellies crossbred at 3¼d; AH&S over Pian Creek, from Wee Waa, 20 hoggets at 7¼d, 11 wethers at 7¾d, 24 ewes at 6¼d; OMK over Pibbon, from Mundooran, 10 summer lambs at 7¼d, 5 first pieces at 7¼d, 20 second pieces at 6¼d, 6 bellies at 4¼d, 4 locks at 2¼d; TS over Pibbon, 8 rams and ewes at 7d, 6 summer lambs at 7¾d, 11 second pieces at 7d; Hyandra over Lower, from Condobolin, 6 wethers at 7¼d; Binnia, from Coolah, 18 A ewes at 7¼d, 5 B ewes at 6¼d, 7 rams at 7d, 7 first pieces at 6¼d, 12 second pieces at 4¼d, 4 bellies at 4d; FWB over Dumble, from Goodooga, 24 bales broken at 7¼d, 6 AS ewes at 8¾d, 6 A clothing at 8d, 44 of A ewes and hoggets at 8¼d, 12 of first combing ewes and hoggets at 7¾d, 11 A combing ewes at 8d, 5 B combing ewes at 7¼d; WBV, from Cassilis, 27 A wethers at 8d, 2? A ewes at 8d, 14 B wethers and ewes at 7¼d, 7 A rams at 7¼d, 40 first pieces at 7d, 12 second pieces at 4¼d, 10 bellies at 4¼d; Bimble over WGT, from Coonamble, 68 AA wether hoggets and ewe hoggets at 7¼d, 15 necks wether and ewe hoggets at 7d; 13 first pieces wether and ewe hoggets at 6¼d; 8 second pieces wether and ewe hoggets at 5¼d, 8 bellies wether and ewe hoggets at 5¼d; FB over Quirindi, 6 fleece at 5¼d. Scoured: Leslie, from Barcaldine, Queensland, 54 second clothing at 13¼d, 38 pieces at 11d, 14 first stained pieces at 10d, 17 locks at 9¼d; RFS over W, from Warracknabeal, 6 first combing hoggets at 14¼d, 17 first F wethers and ewes at 14¼d, 10 second F ewes at 13d, 4 bellies at 14d, 4 second pieces at 12¼d.

ABORIGINES' PROTECTION BOARD.

The weekly meeting of the Aborigines' Protection Board was held yesterday. There were present Messrs. E. Fosbery (chairman), Hons. R. H. D. White and W. H. Suttor, Ms.L.C., Messrs. J. See, M.L.A., J. R. Hill, and A. Berckelman (secretary). The officer in charge of the police at Kerramingby reported that the aborigines on the Terry-hie-hie reserve had erected comfortable dwellings and fences with material supplied by the board, and good progress was made with fencing in the land. The manager of the Cumeroogunga aboriginal station, Murray River, reported that 172 aborigines were resident there, 55 being children attending school. They were doing good work, and their health was good. It was agreed to issue rations to aboriginal children at the Forster School and to old and infirm aborigines at Wilson's Downfall and Boggabilla.

THE NORTH SHORE RAILWAY LINE.

INCREASED FACILITIES ASKED FOR.

DEPUTATION TO THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

A deputation introduced by Mr. George Howarth, M.L.A., and consisting of aldermen and residents of the North Shore railway district, waited upon the Railway Commissioners yesterday morning, and asked that increased facilities, as regarded railway communication with the city, be granted to the district. Amongst those present were Mr. E. M. Clark, M.L.A., Alderman R. H. Gordon (Mayor of Willoughby), Aldermen Giblin, Leplastrier, and Willis (of Willoughby), Alderman Roberts (of Lane Cove), and Messrs. R. J. Black, T. Robin, A. F. Robinson, B. Haigh, and Dr. Clarence Read. The Railway Commissioners present were Messrs. Oliver and Fehon.

It was explained that the deputation asked that an extended service might be given to the district. The necessity was urged upon the Railway Commissioners of granting a revised and improved time-table on the Milson's Point-Hornsby railway line, and it was asked that for this purpose a double train service as at present run during part of the mornings and evenings be run throughout the day. A desire was expressed that the Commissioners should arrange with the North Shore Ferry Company so that railway season ticket holders might be allowed to travel on the company's steamers on production of their season tickets. The extra fare to the season ticket holders should not be more than 4s per month, 10s per quarter, 19s per half-year, and 37s 6d yearly; also that a combined daily ticket should be issued and a booking office established at Circular Quay for that purpose. Regarding the proposed new time-table, a number of times were suggested at which trains should be run. It was especially asked that a new train should leave Chatswood at 8 a.m. to land people at business at about a quarter to 9 a.m. Other extra trains should leave Hornsby at 11.30 a.m., 1.17 p.m., 3.15 p.m., 7.44 p.m., 9.32 p.m. It was mentioned that visitors could catch town trams by this train, but not by the later one at 10.32 p.m. Extra trams should leave Milson's Point about 12.25 p.m., 2.25 p.m., 4.10 p.m. (for business men and also to provide for school children), 8.40 p.m., and also 10.40 p.m. The latter was regarded as a most important train, the time between 9.40 p.m. and 11.25 p.m. being regarded as much too long. Extra Sunday trains were also asked for, especially one in the morning to connect with the Hawkesbury train from Redfern. The residents north of Chatswood, being strongly desirous of obtaining through trains, it was suggested that trains to run through from Chatswood to Milson's Point, and vice versa, should be run provided they did not decrease the facilities enjoyed by stations south of Chatswood. Improved waiting-room accommodation, it was explained, was badly needed at Milson's Point. It was also asked that a parcels office should be established at Circular Quay, where passengers could leave packages, &c. At present parcels could only be left by courtesy of the North Shore Ferry Company. This, it was suggested, could be combined with the proposed booking office. It was also requested that a wharf should be constructed at Lavender Bay to enable vessels to discharge road metal, &c.

Amongst other speakers, Mr. E. M. Clark, M.L.A., and Alderman Giblin congratulated Mr. Oliver on his promotion to be Chief Railway Commissioner, and mention was also made of the appointment of Mr. Kirkcaldie as third Commissioner, every satisfaction being expressed in that gentleman's appointment.

Mr. Oliver, in reply, said that the matter of affording extra accommodation on the North Shore line had already been considered by the Commissioners. The Commissioners would have been prepared to have given a reply straight away, but the deputation asked for so much—(laughter)—that it would perhaps be better to hold over consideration of the whole matter. They had come to the conclusion, at any rate for a trial, that something like a thousand pounds per year should be spent in extra train service. (Hear, hear.) They would spend that money to the best possible advantage. It would give at least two of the important trains which were asked for, but there were other trains to which the deputation appeared to attach a great deal of importance, one being one to land passengers in Sydney at a quarter to 9 o'clock in the morning. The possibility of this would have to be considered. The Commissioners would give every facility possible on the line. Regarding the Sunday service, they would try to do something in that direction. Their object had been not to increase the Sunday service if they could help it, the object being not to employ the railway staff more on a Sunday than could be helped. He thought it would be possible, however, to connect with the Hawkesbury train at Hornsby Junction. With regard to the amalgamation of ferry and railway tickets, the Railway Commissioners were ready to agree to the proposal, but the difficulty was that the deputation requested a reduction of the ferry fare, which was a matter for the ferry company alone to deal with. The deputation should approach the company themselves on the matter. At any rate, the Commissioners would see what they could do. The question of a luggage office was connected with that proposal. He did not see, however, that they could provide wharfage accommodation for the landing of road metal. All that could be promised now was that they would take the matters which had been laid before them into consideration. They would give an improved service and do what they could for North Shore, consistent with their duty to other parts of the colony. (Applause.) He thanked the members of the deputation for their expressions of goodwill towards himself, and no effort on his part would be wanting to try to justify the choice which the Government had made. Mr. Kirkcaldie was not there that day; he therefore thanked the deputation on his behalf, and would say that he was sure that in his position as Commissioner Mr. Kirkcaldie would give great assistance to his colleagues, and that he would justify his selection as third Commissioner.

The deputation thanked the Commissioners and then withdrew.

NAUTICAL SCHOOL SHIP SOBRAON.

The institution has now completed 30 years' operations. The number of boys dealt with during that time is 3670, showing over 90 per cent. of proved successes. The last annual report gives the following results:—Admissions, 171; discharges, 246; absconders, 0; deaths, 0; enrolment, 578; daily average, 357; the net cost, £7412 4s; cost per head on daily average (357), £20 15s 2d; cost per head on the year's enrolment (578), £12 16s 5d; cost per head of apprentices, £1 12s 11d; cost per head of boys under the superintendent's legal control (759), including 402 apprentices, who may at any time prior to attaining the age of 18 be brought on board if conduct is not satisfactory, £10 12s 9d. Since January 12 months the superintendent has received 579 visits or letters from "old boys," all of whom are free agents as far as his legal control is concerned. One of the strong points in favour of the institution is that bearing upon the health of the inmates. During 30 years there have only been 13 deaths among 3670 lads, many of whom were received in a wretchedly emaciated and neglected condition. These results are the more remarkable in view of there being no discretionary power allowed the superintendent in regard to committals, either from a moral or physical standpoint. Such is not the case in the instances of boys sent to similar vessels in the United Kingdom.

Comparative results for eight months, January to August, 1895, 1896, and 1897:—1895: Admissions, 131; discharges, 110; total changes, 241. 1896: Admissions, 131; discharges, 139; total changes, 270. 1897: Admissions, 150; discharges, 158; total changes, 308. Total admissions, 412; total discharges, 407; total changes, 819.

The above totals show the number of boys received and discharged (principally apprenticed) to be very evenly balanced over a period of 24 months. It will also be noticed that no less than 819 changes have taken place, with increasing totals for each year. During the last seven years a sum of £12,000 has been paid, in cash, by employers upon boys completing their apprenticeship.

MOSMAN SWIMMING AND LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY.

The adjourned meeting of the residents of Mosman, convened for the purpose of forming a Life-saving Society at Mosman, was held in the hall beneath the Council-chambers, on the 6th instant, the Mayor (Alderman J. Noble) presiding. There was a good attendance including Aldermen Alderson, Cowles, Rose, and Malley, Messrs. W. M. Hamlett, J. Cannon, R. Shearer, Martin, Nicholls, and S. Thompson. The chairman stated the reasons for which the meeting was called, and hoped the residents would give the movement the encouragement and support it was entitled to. Mr. W. M. Hamlett stated that, at a meeting held on September 24, he had explained the aims and objects of the proposed society, at which meeting the desirability of forming such a society was affirmed. He trusted it would be established in conjunction with a swimming club, and it would be for the meeting to give it a title. He might mention that classes would be inaugurated, and the course of instruction would include—1. How to rescue the drowning. 2. How to effect a release in the event of being clutched. 3. How to resuscitate the apparently drowned and promote warmth and circulation, and in addition a general knowledge of the structure of the human chest and functions of circulation and respiration would be imparted. The methods should be learnt, so that no one should, in the slightest way, hesitate in succouring the drowning. Once a thorough knowledge is attained a small and weak man can prevent himself from being held down by the clutch of a big drowning man. The method of resuscitation mostly favoured is the "Sylvester method," by which the tongue was drawn out as far as possible, and tied so as to be immovable. Once a society was formed for this purpose others would be stimulated to follow so worthy a lead. On the motion of Alderman Rose, seconded by Alderman Malley, it was decided to call the society "The Mosman Swimming and Life-saving Society." The following office-bearers were then elected:—President, Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.L.A.; vice-presidents, the Mayor (Alderman Noble), Aldermen C. Cowles, P. T. Taylor, R. Harnett, Dr. Cullen, Dr. Arthur, Messrs. W. M. Hamlett, Redmond, and Davidson; hon. secretary, Mr. W. Nicholls; hon. treasurers, Mr. W. M. Hamlett; committee, Messrs. Moors, R. Shearer, Everett, J. Cannon, Aldermen Alderson, Malley, and Rose.

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

ANOTHER SECTIONAL COMMITTEE.

PROPOSED RAILWAY FROM BYROCK TO BREWARRINA.

WHEAT-GROWING IN THE WEST.

The Public Works Committee met yesterday in the Department of Public Works, under the presidency of Mr. T. T. Ewing, M.L.A. Mr. Trickett moved, —"That Mr. Ewing, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Black be appointed a sectional committee to inspect, take evidence, and report with reference to the proposed railway from The Rock to Green's Gunyah, and the proposed railway from Coolamon to Ariah."

The motion was agreed to.

The committee then proceeded to consider the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Byrock to Brewarrina.

Mr. P. C. Close (Hill, Clark, and Co.) was examined. He said there was a great cut-throat work between Queensland and New South Wales as to which would get the advantage of the traffic on the Queensland border. But New South Wales was at a disadvantage in this way. On the other side of the border they had a prohibition duty in addition to the concessions they allowed. At the present time live stock went by road from Brewarrina either to Byrock or to Bourke. There would be a larger population if the railway was built, because a lot of the large holdings would be cut up. With better facilities there would be more sheep. A man with 10,000 acres would carry more sheep to the acre than a man with 100,000 acres. The man with the smaller acreage had a better opportunity of looking after the sheep. There was now a good deal of passenger traffic between Brewarrina and Byrock, and Brewarrina and Bourke. With a railway there would be a great deal more. He was surprised to know that the Railway Department estimated that there would be a loss on the line if it was constructed. As he did not know how the department worked out the loss, he could not at present offer any argument against it. The estimate of the department for 1000 trucks of sheep per annum was, he thought, much too small. It would be at least double that. A railway would induce people to send stock to market. Travelling on the road, stock deteriorated very much. He was of opinion that the cost per head (4d) by railway from Brewarrina to Byrock would be more than made up by the increased value given to the stock by the retention of their condition. The idea of travelling stock to save railway freight had been dropped long ago.

The next witness who was called, Mr. Grainger Barton, a grazier, having a homestead seven miles off the proposed line, introduced, as Mr. Lee remarked, an entirely new element for consideration. His statement, though plain and matter of fact without adornment of any kind, opened up to the committee the probability of thousands of acres of the Western lands being converted from pastoral to farming properties, and with this conversion the employment of thousands of more hands than are now engaged on the land. Mr. Barton said that from Bourke to Walgett the Brewarrina district was the best of the Darling country. He thought that if the railway was constructed the population would be very largely increased. For this reason it would be an immense wheat-growing area. He himself was going in very largely for wheat-growing. He had had this year 250 acres of wheat on the land, and next year he hoped to have 1000 acres. He had got as much as 2 tons of hay to the acre, and 30 bushels of wheat to the acre. He had given it a trial and found it paid him better than growing wool. Other people were following his example. If the railway was constructed it would turn the country more into a farming district than pastoral. At present the land carriage was a great handicap. Out of the 16,000 acres he had, 10,000 to 12,000 acres was suitable for wheat-growing. That was a fair average for the whole country round there. In that district they were doing as they had already done at Berrigan. Formerly it had been thought that the land would not grow wheat. His yield had not been obtained under conditions which could be described as very favourable. Three years out of four he had successfully grown wheat. 1895 was the driest year in the Western district on record, and the crop was a failure. He estimated that he would get a good crop three years out of four. Even if the railway did not pay for a couple of years it would ultimately be profitable, because in addition to the pastoral freight there would be freight from grain. If facilities were given for export, large areas would be put under cultivation. Within the next 10 years the bulk of the land, he thought, would be in farms. Mr. Wright, in examining the witness, was desirous of knowing how it was that it had not been discovered long before that a great part of the country alluded to could grow wheat. All Mr. Barton could say was that it had been an accepted belief that the country would not grow paying wheat, and, therefore, until recently no attempt had been made to cultivate cereals. The same thing had happened in the south of the colony till enterprising Victorians came over, and showed the land was eminently suitable for wheat cultivation. In South Australia, too, in certain districts they had had a similar experience. Mr. Black asked what would be done with this immense amount of wheat. Mr. Barton was quite ready for the question. If there was more than sufficient for home consumption, with the cheap freights which now prevailed it would pay to export the grain.

GORDON PROGRESS' ASSOCIATION.

A meeting was held on Wednesday night at Gordon for the purpose of forming a progress association in the district, and was attended by many local influential residents. Mr. George Howarth, M.L.A., occupied the chair. In the course of his opening remarks the chairman said he thought the formation of an association in the district was a move in the right direction, Hornsby, Wahroonga, Turramurra, and Lindfield all having theirs, and the result of their efforts had been very evident in the improved railway service and improvements to local roads, the bulk of which has been owing to the associations furnishing the necessary data to the member for the district. He deplored the smallness of the road vote, in fact he considered it to be at least £150,000 per annum too small, but local requirements could be met in many cases by members subscribing a certain sum, the Government giving £ for £, and in some cases £2 for £1. It had also been found advisable to employ residents on certain roads to find labour for improvements, the Government finding the necessary material. He touched on the recent improvements in telegraph and postal facilities on the line, and said that the establishment of the telephone exchange at Wahroonga was the first occasion on which the Department had broken its set rule of not establishing an exchange except in connection with an established post-office. A member cannot be expected to know all the requirements of a district, but progress associations are useful mediums in bringing those wants under his notice. He mentioned as a source of congratulation to local residents that he had been instrumental in getting £1500 voted for improvements in the immediate district, and £3000 altogether in his constituency. In conclusion, he would be pleased to further their interests within the bounds of reason. The North Shore line had, of late, gone ahead by such leaps and bounds that applications for increased train service were warranted by the great influx of population.

A general discussion followed, in the course of which the Rev. Raymond King asked if notice had been taken of the circulars sent out convening the meeting. Mr. Bultow said it was not to the credit of Gordon to be without a progress association, seeing the other districts along the line had theirs, and proposed,—"That a progress committee be formed at Gordon, and that other surrounding districts could be admitted if desirable." It was seconded by Mr. Ruddock. After discussion it was withdrawn in favour of an amendment moved by Mr. W. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Brown, and carried unanimously,—"That this meeting resolves itself into a committee for the purpose of forming a progress association for Gordon and district." Mr. Bultow moved, and Mr. Waterhouse seconded,—"That the following gentlemen be appointed a sub-committee to draft rules and present the same to residents within boundaries to be defined by such rules, and then call a general meeting to approve of rules and form association, viz.:—The Rev. Raymond King, Messrs. Brown (2), W. Roberts, R. M'Intosh, R. Callaghan, Ruddock, and Jackson." It was carried. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman, and to Mr. D. Patterson, who had placed his room at the disposal of the meeting, and had distributed circulars, &c.

STOCKOWNERS' GRIEVANCES.

The monthly meeting of the Stockowners' Association was held on Wednesday. After meeting representatives of the Stock Agents' Association and going thoroughly into the matter of condemned meat at the abattoirs, certain propositions were made to the Fat Stock Buyers' Association to overcome the present difficulty. A letter having been read from the town clerk, notifying the refusal of the City Council to lower the present charges at Homebush, the Hon. G. H. Cox was authorised to bring in a bill to amend the Stock Saleyards Act in certain particulars. A deputation from this association to the Railway Commissioners was arranged re present high charges on pastoral products, &c.

REDUCED TRAM FARES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Much has been written regarding the above, but as I, with many others, benefited (?) by them on Eight-hours Day, I feel it would not be right to let this opportunity pass to air my grievance, and trust to your generosity to allow me a small space in your valuable paper to do so. On Monday, then, I went to Bondi from Paddington with my wife and two young children. Under the old arrangement this used to cost me 10d return from the Queen-street, Woollahra, waiting-room: now it costs me 1s 4d, or nearly 75 per cent. advance on the old rate. This is certainly an Irishman's reduction, and if it makes such an enormous difference with my small family, what about the parents with large families? I should think that instead of increasing the traffic, there will be a considerable falling-off. I can quite understand reducing the through fares from Sydney, but why do away with the intermediate sections affecting the suburbs? The only satisfactory solution of this apparently difficult problem seems to be the adoption of 1d sections on all lines, and like the penny postage they will pay enormously. I am, &c., A FATHER.

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ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL MISSION.

SALE OF WORK.

Yesterday a sale of work in aid of the St. Andrew's Cathedral Mission was commenced in the St. Andrew's Cathedral School, being opened by Miss French, who was accompanied by Mrs. Ford, and was received by Mrs. Read and the stallholders, the Church Lads' Brigade forming a guard of honour. The stalls were tastefully arranged, giving a gay appearance to the room, which was further embellished with lanterns and flags. The ladies who had charge of the stalls were the following:—

No. 1.—Mrs. Read, Misses Stafford, Anderson, Butter (2).

No. 2.—Misses Kenway, Wright, and Dann.

No. 3.—Misses Molster, M'Naughton, Sempill (2), Jacobs, and Harris.

No. 4.—Mesdames Roberts, Patching, and Vinthrop.

Produce Stall.—Mrs. Ambrose, Misses Reilly, Woods (2), Gates, and Push.

Refreshment Stall.—Mesdames Karby, Amery, Misses Quinton and Clarke.

The Rev. R. J. Read, who is the leading spirit in the work of the mission, introduced Miss French in a few observations, wherein he referred to the great interest taken in the movement by that lady, and also gave an account of various branches of it, and that these are numerous will be admitted when it is stated that associated with the mission are Bible classes, adult and juvenile branches of the Church of England Temperance Society, mothers' meetings, a ladies' working party, Church Lads' Brigade (comprising seven companies in Sydney), teachers' classes, four libraries, a penny bank (with upwards of 200 depositors), and a communicants' class. Mr. Read mentioned that there had not been a vacant evening during the past two months. The expenses were, he said, about £120 or £130 a year, of which only about £60 was provided for. At present there was an overdraft of about a pound at the bank—a thing which until the last two or three months had never, he believed, happened in the history of the mission. The present sale was held with a view of obtaining a sum sufficient to carry them on to the end of the year.

Miss French, in performing the duty she had undertaken, conveyed a message from the Dean, who recognised the difficulty of the work carried on, and how necessary it was to have a sale. She expressed her own pleasure in declaring the sale open, and wished it every success. Business was then proceeded with. The sale will be continued to-day.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN, MANLY.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL GARDEN FETE.

A large number of ladies resident in Manly and Sydney, formed themselves into a committee early in September to organise a garden fete in aid of the funds of the Manly Industrial School, and their efforts have resulted in a picturesque and attractive display, which was opened with considerable eclat yesterday by the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson. The grounds of the school had been converted by the workers into a little canvas town in special preparation for the event, one large parti-coloured tent having been erected for the sale of general and fancy work, and for the display of laundry work, with another tent for refreshments and sweets, a third for stationery and tobacco, and two tasty pavilions for wild flowers. These, located amid the spreading fig trees and branching pines at convenient distances, backed up by the early spring foliage, and artfully decorated with bunting, draperies, and various pretty accessories, made the scene exceedingly attractive and effective.

The Hon. Mrs. Ferguson, accompanied by Lady Paston-Cooper, was met on arrival at Manly Wharf by the Mayor (Alderman F. C. Passau), Alderman C. C. Tucker, and the council clerk (Mr. T. C. Haylock). The party was driven to the grounds, and welcomed by the Cardinal, who was attended by his secretaries.

The Cardinal said that there was no nobler work than that which enlisted their sympathies that day, and that none could regret any contribution devoted to such a sacred cause as an orphans' home. In public discussions of late some had expressed the opinion that the administration of charity opened the door to impostors, and those who gave to eleemosynary institutions were afraid their donations were diverted from their intended destinations. But there could be no two opinions about the benefit derivable from housing destitute orphans, teaching, training, and directing them so as to take their places in the world as useful members of society, themselves centres of beneficent influence, instead of being left as drones to the mercy of the community. His Eminence concluded by thanking the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson in the names of the orphans, sisters, and workers.

The Hon. Mrs. Ferguson gracefully acknowledged the compliment, declared the show open, and wished it every success.

Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.L.A., addressed the assemblage, following on the lines of the Cardinal's speech.

The visitors were then conducted by Messrs. John Woods Owen Carroll, and Father Brosnan, on a tour of the grounds, inspected the tents, pavilions, and exhibits, and testified their approbation by bestowing munificent patronage.

The ladies who have undertaken the responsible duties of office for this function are:—President, Lady Darley; vice-presidents, Mesdames Ives (Mayoress of Sydney), Passau (Mayoress of Manly), Prendergast, and Laidley Mort; hon. secretaries, Mesdames De Coque, and W. J. Douglass; hon. treasurers, Mesdames John S. Watkins, and F. Brennan, assisted by the Rev. Father Brosnan; committee, Mesdames R. E. O'Connor, C. E. R. Murray, F. B. Freehill, Walter German, David Curtain, F. Aronsen, Benbow, Delohery, Plomley, Owen Carroll, Butler, J. German, Murphy, Haylock, and Stevenson, with Misses Hegarty, O'Brien, Keating, Chisholm (2), Daly, and M'Carthy.

The large tent for general and laundry work is in charge of the Sydney ladies, while the refreshment tent is worked by the Manly contingent; Mrs. Luckham has the stationery and tobacco tent; Mrs. J. German, assisted by Miss Hilda Hilder, presides over a spinning jenny and fortune-telling apparatus; the Edison Parlour Company shows a phonograph. Mrs. Freehill, with three daintily-dressed assistants, devotes attention to one flower pavilion. Mrs. Haylock and Mrs. Stevenson have direction of the other. There is a separate tent with a Maypole and its band of youthful dancers, carefully drilled by Miss O'Grady, who foot it merrily to strains of music by day, and are relieved in the evening by children of the school, whose pretty costumes, provided by the Sisters, enhance the gladness of the youngsters as they glide and twine in their happiness and simple merriment. There is, moreover, a donkey who delights the children with rides, and a see-saw, to which they would cling apparently for ever. A great show of bunting lends splashes of needful colour, and the usually retired grounds have undergone complete transformation at the hands of those who have so generously come forward from all denominations to the assistance of the institution. The flower stalls constitute, as in former years, the leading features of the show, the quality and brilliance of the flowers comparing favourably with those of any show ever held in Manly, while the beauty of the designs and the harmonies secured in the devices are both gratifying to the spectator and creditable to the exhibitor. A bouquet presented by Miss Mollie Watkins to the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson was specially admired. It was composed entirely of wild flowers, arranged by Mrs. Freehill.

The fete is to be continued for three days, and is to be open from 2 to 10 p.m. each day. The Bavarian Band provided the music for the opening. The Enterprise Band is to play on Friday with the St. Benedict's Band and Manly Band on Saturday.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

The general monthly meeting of the Royal Society of New South Wales was held on Wednesday evening at the Society's House, the chair being occupied by the president, Mr. Henry Deane. Mr. J. O. Callender and Mr. D. Fell, both of Sydney, were elected members. Mr. J. H. Maiden (secretary) read a "note" by Dr. Bancroft on "Mutilations Practised by Australian Aborigines." The writer said that mutilation was apparently adopted to limit population, and it appeared that it was practised in those parts of Australia alone in which the food supply was precarious. Mr. Matthews said he disagreed with the view that mutilation was practised to limit population. From what he could make out it was one of those customs that people in all ages had been addicted to. There were districts in which the food was quite plentiful where it was carried on, and there were others not far away where it was not. A paper "On a Cordeirite-bearing Rock from Broken Hill" was taken as read. Specimens of the rock were on the table. Professor Liversidge introduced some notes by Mr. D. A. Porter on the occurrence of a nickeliferous opal near Tamworth, New South Wales. The hue of the opal is green. In reply to the president the Professor said it did not show any play of colour. Mr. H. C. Russell read a paper on "Icebergs in the Southern Ocean." In it he stated that from July, 1895, to the end of last month 7429 icebergs were met with, and yet out of that period there were 14 months in which no reports of icebergs were made. From October, 1896, to February, 1897, there were more icebergs recorded than in any similar period during the past six years. The great majority of the 7429 mentioned were in the track of vessels coming from the Cape of Good Hope to Australia. It frequently happened that the tracks infested by icebergs one month were entirely free on others, and it was evident that the icebergs drifted north and south with sufficient rapidity to be completely out of the track in the course of a few weeks, either northwards or southwards. One vessel reported 4500, another 977, and others approaching that number, whilst in some cases no attempt was made to count them. One vessel passed over 2000 miles through icebergs, another 1600, and others varying distances downwards. It was shown that it would be very desirable to ascertain at what rate icebergs were moved by the wind, because if that fact were known, it would be possible, the general state of the wind in Australia, the Indian Ocean, and South Africa being ascertained, to warn ships that the icebergs would have drifted in the last few weeks, say either northwards or southwards, and that additional precautions or otherwise would have to be taken, in accordance with the effect that the wind had probably had. Discussion ensued. Mr. Russell stated, in reply to the president, that on three separate occasions when we had had a strong prevalence of north-west winds these icebergs ceased to appear, and when those winds stopped being aggressive they had returned. That agreed with the supposition that icebergs were moved about by the wind.

HORTICULTURAL SHOW AT ROCKDALE.

Yesterday afternoon, in the presence of a large concourse, Mrs. B. Palmer opened a horticultural show, under the auspices of the Rockdale Congregational Church, in the Rockdale Town Hall. Following are the awards:—

Twelve cut flowers (outdoor growth): J. W. Labalastier. Six roses (distinct varieties): J. W. Labalastier. Three roses (distinct varieties): A. C. Reed, 1; Mrs. Hardy, 2. Twelve carnations: A. C. Reed, 1; J. W. Labalastier, 2. Six carnations (distinct): J. W. Labalastier, 1; A. C. Reed, 2. Three carnations (distinct): J. W. Labalastier, 1; Mrs. T. J. Rossby, 2. Best collection pansies: Mrs. Hardy, 1; Mrs. T. J. Rossby, 2. Breast sprays: Mrs. T. J. Rossby. Button-holes: Master James Abel Kenwood. Collection of vegetables: Mr. J. Beehag.

Following were the stalls and stallholders:—

Horticultural.—Messrs. W. G. Judd, T. P. Collet, J. Labalastier, and T. J. Rossby.

Pot Plants and Cut Flowers.—Mrs. W. G. Judd and Misses Ada Middenway, Elsie Leech, Annie Beehag, Ada Swanston, Louisa Benamy, and Madge Higlett.

Shooting Gallery.—Messrs. Godfrey and Burden.

Provisions.—Mrs. Bailey and Miss Bowles.

Fancy, "Record."—Mesdames Clements and Godfrey, and Misses Beehag, Mildwater, and M. Beehag.

Jumbies.—Mr. and Mrs. Newman and Mr. Dicken.

Fancy, "Federation."—Mesdames Arnold and Parish and Misses Nailes and Eaton.

Fancy, "Jubilee."—Mesdames Gibbons, Dicken, and Higlett, and Miss Dicken.

Christmas Tree, &c.—Mrs. Reed, Misses Bella Peed, Sally Leech, Alice Pollard, May Darling, and Lizzie Richardson.

Refreshments.—Mesdames Parkes and Richardson, Misses Faulkner and Payne.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY FUND.

A large meeting of the staff and employees of Messrs. F. Lassetter and Co., Limited, was held in the Temperance Hall on Wednesday. Mr. Walter Brown presided. Mr. Frank Grimley addressed the meeting and invited their co-operation with the Hospital Saturday Fund, by establishing the regular weekly collection. It was unanimously resolved to commence the collection forthwith. The appointment of delegates was deferred pending consultation with heads of departments.

SYDNEY COVE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Eliza Cook, in her song "The Englishman," says: "There's a land that bears a well-known name, though 'tis but a little spot;" and it is of but a little spot that I am about to write—"Sydney Cove" from 60 to 70 years ago.

From 1824 to 1830 my father owned and occupied a house (recently pulled down) immediately opposite to where the Mariners' Church now stands, from the balcony of which we had a very complete view of the cove, and as it then was so it is to-day in my memory, and I will describe it for the information of your readers.

Commencing at Dawes Point—I may say it was at that time called Dawes Battery. There were three fortifications at that time—Fort Macquarie, Fort Philip (now the Observatory), and Dawes Battery. Why the distinction of calling the latter was made I never heard. The house now occupied by Captain Hixson was then standing. In front of it was a well-grassed mound, behind which were placed the guns (some eight or ten seven-pounders). A sentry was always on guard over these guns, being relieved every two hours from the guardhouse at the foot of Church-hill. On the north side of the hill rocks extended some 12ft. beyond high-water mark, running along to the eastern front, where a reef ran out about 160ft. Along the outer edge of these rocks a parapet wall has since been run and the rocks covered. Some rocks on the south side still show the old high-water mark.

A stone wall, part of which is still standing, enclosed the battery grounds. Adjoining it was the shipbuilding yard of R. D. Cuninghame, who combined blacksmith's work with shipbuilding. This property is now used as Government boatsheds. Adjoining this was the property of Robert Campbell—or, was he as known, "Merchant" Campbell—one of nature's noblemen, a worthy owner of a noble property. Commencing on the top of the hill in George-street, it ran down to where the Mariners' Church is now. All that portion of it now behind the bonded stores was a garden, about the largest in Sydney. This was enclosed by a stone and brick wall. The water frontage had a stone-faced wharf from end to end, with deepwater frontage. A stone store ran obliquely up from the wharf, one corner of it being only 3ft. from the edge of the wharf. Along the inner side of this store was the roadway to George-street. At the southern end of the wharf, about 30ft. back, was a wall of arches, the arches giving access to some underground bonded stores. In the middle of the south end was the cottage residence of Mr. Campbell. At the northern end below the gardens was the residence of the wharfinger, George Atherden. Adjoining Mr. Campbell's was the residence of Captain Piper, superintendent of H.M. dockyard, a most unsightly, unpainted building. The Mariners' Church now occupies its site. The land rose very abruptly just here, but fell towards the south end, where the road now is. At the southern extremity a rock set on its edge ran out from 20ft. to 25ft. in a north-easterly direction, the outer end being 10ft. to 12ft. high, decreasing towards the land, where it was about 4ft. Behind or rather inside this rock was a little cove or bay with a clean sandy beach, and here, as I understood, the first white man jumped ashore when the fleet came round from Botany Bay. Next came Cadman's, the overseer, in charge of all the boats belonging to the Government, including the Governor's sight-oared gig, by which he frequently travelled to Parramatta. Cadman's extended to the dockyard, and was enclosed with a stone wall, and had a dwarf wall along high water mark, with a nice sandy beach in front, upon which the boats lay when not in use. Some of the buildings, one of which was afterwards used for a time as a water police court, are still standing. The Sailors' Home now occupies part of the ground. Just outside the gate in George-street, where there is now a telegraph post, was a very large forest oak tree. Inquiries as to why it was left when all other trees were cleared away told me that it was because it was from one of the limbs of it that the first man was hanged. The dockyard extended from Cadman's to the Commissariat stores. At the north end of it was a store end on to the water. The cottage residence of the overseer (Daniel Egan) was in the north-west corner. Two small docks fit only for boats were in the centre of it. In the south-west portion of it were workshops. All of it was enclosed with a stone wall. Next came the Commissariat Stores, to be seen to-day; then came the King's Wharf, built on piles and extending on the north side about 50ft. into the cove and 40ft. on the south, with about 70ft. frontage to the water. The land side was enclosed with a dwarf stone wall, with iron railings above; a small brick building stood in it, which was used for customs purposes. On the south side adjoining the wharf was a flight of steps into the water for the use of the watermen, who kept their boats on the sandy beach adjoining, about 40ft. long. Next came the Liverpool Wharf, also built on piles; it was only a small wharf, had some stone stores, one of which was only recently demolished. From this wharf our two Newcastle and Hunter River packets used to sail. They were the cutters Lord Liverpool and the Lambton. A public-house was afterwards built on the corner nearest the King's wharf, and was kept by J. S. Hanson. From this wharf up to the bridge in Bridge-street was a dwarf stone wall, being the western boundary of the Tank Stream, and here 60 years ago it might be said ended improvements, for the other or eastern side was, so far as the water frontage was concerned, in a state of nature, as it had no improvements save a jetty, in front of where the Custom-house now stands, for the use of the Governor. Passing over to the eastern bank of the Tank Stream, which was there about 100ft. wide, a mud flat being between, and on which lay the keel and floor timbers of a vessel named the Fame, which had, I think, been burnt, will land us just easterly of the lane next to the hotel and in front of it; thence the ground, which was level, went with a slight curve to the foot of Phillip-street. Passing about 300ft. in front of where the Custom-house now stands, a beach some 20ft. wide ran along its front as far as Phillip-street, where rocks commenced. The wall enclosing the grounds of Government House ran from the gateway in Bridge-street down I think it is Young-street, past where the Custom-house is now, on to the level ground; then turned and ran by the foot of Phillip-street along towards Macquarie Fort, leaving a roadway or passage some 20ft. wide. From Phillip-street rocks extended into the cove from 10ft. to 20ft. until they came to an enormous rock standing perpendicularly from the water about 30ft., with very deep water alongside. Along the rocks at various places were fixed ringbolts, and ships laid up were moored, stern on, to them. About half way to the fort was a small yellow watch-tower, which had been used in former days, but not at the time I write of. Behind the high rock a way some 10ft. wide of steps and landings took you to the high ground, along which ran a fence enclosing the Government House ground, round to the gardens. The high ground was covered with the titree bush nearly to the fort, beyond which a reef ran out, covered at present.

Government House gates were in Bridge-street near the corner of the little reserve in Macquarie-place. The obelisk giving the distances of several places from it was there, but the length from it of Mrs. Macquarie's circuit carriage drive—three miles and some yards—is cut in the stone at the point known as Mrs. Macquarie's Chair.

These, Sir, are my memories of the Cove at that time, and when a few days ago I for the first time for some years stood on the hill at Dawes Point and looked upon the many steamers going in and out of it, its foreshores hidden by substantial wharfs, along which were lying some of the grand steamships of the day, its shores surrounded by immense stores and sheds, and the busy life around, I thought that none of us now living, and who had in those long-past days bathed in its clear waters, gathered oysters from its rocks, or gambolled and raced on its sandy beaches, could ever have thought of seeing it as it is, and of the very many thousands who yearly pass in and out of it—even think that it was so little removed from nature within the memory of living men; and as I looked before me on the long bright sheet of water, upon the hills and vales, the headlands and the bays, words come into my thoughts that 54 years ago I heard from the stage of the Victoria Theatre, the play being "William Tell." The speaker of them, Miss Winstanly, an eloquent Australian, in the character of Grisette, a Swiss village maid, speaking of her country, said: "When I look abroad upon its fields and its meadows, its hills and dales, its lakes and rivers, and its mountains and valleys, and upwards at the blue sky above, I bless the God that made a land so fair and I its daughter." The applause that greeted this eloquently spoken outburst was something to be remembered. I am, &c.,

R. H.-F. KEMP.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—October 7.

Bothwell Castle, s., 2542 tons, Captain Charles J. Nightingall, from Western Australia and ports. Passengers—Mesdames Anderson, M'Kenzie, Church, E. Butler, Kipon, Roy, Isaacs, Chandler, Williams, King, Watson, Misses Eddington (2), Bills, Anderson, Sleight, M'Kenzie, Chandler, Lewis, Jesson, Harrison, Cortney, Watson, Gill, Howarth, Church, Meade, Jamieson, Messrs. Becket, Elkington, More, Elkington, Anderson, Watson, M'Kenzie, T. Butler, W. Hilliard, V. Barker, T. Elphick, W. Miller, W. Shore, M'Glochlan, A. Stewart, J. Foster, S. Hewes, Master Hewes, A. August, H. James, W. Windwood, A. Hennerry, C. Chandler, R. Fischer, J. Thomas, and 81 in the steerage; also, through passengers to Queensland ports. Feotherstone and M'Glew, agents.

Oonah, s., 1757 tons, Captain W. Featherstone, from Hobart October 5. Passengers—Mesdames Herbert, Walch, Headlam, Graham, Long, Warren, Campbell and child, Rock, Cottier and child, Snark, Treworth and child, Misses L. Gatenby Walch, Headlam, Rumsley, Brock, Curnow, Castleline, Captain Cottier, Dr. Spark, Dr. Hardy, Messrs. R. H. Warren, J. Walch, F. Pearce, H. Jones, H. Robinson, Clewer, Ash, Leigh, Jones, H. Stead, C. Connell, J. Daly, D. Wilson, A. Francis, A. Kilroy, W. Rehm, A. Cooper, R. Sutcliffe, Master Browning. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Kallatina, s., 690 tons, Captain John Magee, from Grafton 6th instant. Passengers—Mrs. M'Phee, Mrs. Conlon, Mrs. James, Mrs. Smythe, Mrs. Searle, Misses Switzer, Smith (2), Ryan, Wade (2), Davis, Short, Andrews, Atkins, Messrs. F. T. Doberer, J. W. James, W. Smythe, S. A. Howarth, W. A. M'Phee, T. J. Neil, H. S. Selwyn, A. O. Saddington, H. T. Hicks, C. Hicks, G. Wade, C. R. Tatham, R. Flynn, Conlon, Masters James M'Phee (2), Sir William Davenant, and 16 in the second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Illawarra, s., 522 tons, Captain J. Garde, from South Coast. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coomonderry, s., 146 tons, Captain Duck, from South Coast. Huddart, Parker, and Company, Limited, agents.

Peterborough, s., 159 tons, Captain J. Wilson, from Bateman's Bay. J. Aubin, agent.

Gulf of Genoa, s., 3448 tons (Gulf Line Association), Captain Swan, from Liverpool August 11, via ports. A. M'Arthur and Co., agents.

Monowai, s., 3433 tons, Captain H. W. H. Chatfield, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Larnaca, s., 2287 tons, Captain Paul, from Adelaide October 2. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Alagonia, s., 2059 tons, Captain D. Davies, from Fremantle September 27. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Nairnshire, s., 3720 tons, Captain C. Olsen, from Townsville. G. J. Waterhouse, agent.

Fiado, s., 965 tons, Captain Baurret, from Noumea October 2. Passengers—Mrs. Baurret and 2 children. A. Jouve and Co., agents.

Newcastle, s., 1251 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

Elingamite, s., 2585 tons, Captain A. H. Thorpe, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker, and Co., agents.

Julia Percy, s., 900 tons, Captain Chapman, from Melbourne October 5. Wm. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Bega, s., 555 tons, Captain W. O. Herse, from Eden and ports. Passengers—Mrs. Southam, Misses Southam, Dent, Messrs. King, Robertson, Simon, Fegle, Manion, Schuback, Bickerton, and 2 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coraki, s., 398 tons, Captain S. Boulder, from Manning River October 7. Passengers—Mesdames Turner, Misses M. Moore and Adams, Messrs. D. Jones, Baker, N. Justelius, Kanavan, Cooper, Turner, Ingram, Newton, Greehy, J. Brown, and 4 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Marion Fenwick, s., 98 tons, Captain Monroe, from Thursday Island September 24. T. Fenwick, agent.

Thornley, s., 2500 tons, Captain J. Legg, from Port Pirie October 2. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—October 7.

Armand Behic, French mail steamer, for Marseilles, via ports.

Elamang, s., for Rockhampton, via ports.

Tekapo, s., for Launceston, via Eden.

Derment, s., for Melbourne.

Julia Percy, s., for Rockhampton, via ports.

Alagonia, s., for Fremantle, via Newcastle.

October 8.

Fasen, s., for Singapore, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—October 8.

Elingamite, s., for Melbourne; Warrego, s., for Normanton and Burketown, via ports; La Serena, s., for Fremantle; Monowai, s., for Wellington, Lyttelton, Dunedin, and Bluff; Bothwell Castle, s., for Cairns, via ports; Electra, s., for Richmond River; Coraki, s., for Manning River; Wollumbin, s., for Tweed River; Illawarra S. N. Company's steamers for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla; Namoi, s., for Newcastle; Balmain, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—October 7.

Armand Behic, French mail steamer, 6468 tons, Captain L. Richard, for Marseilles, via ports, with passengers as published yesterday.

Alagonia, s., 2059 tons, Captain D. Davies, for Fremantle, via Newcastle, in ballast. Passenger—Mr. Davies.

Fasen, s., 2989 tons, Captain C. Schroder, for Hamburg, via Newcastle and Singapore.

Tekapo, s., 2439 tons, Captain H. Sams, for Launceston, via Eden. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Cresswell, Mrs. Cato, Mrs. A. Percival, Miss Sidebottom, Messrs. Vider, R. D. Twibell, W. Scott, F. Harrison, R. Blackston, and 7 in the steerage.

Elamang, s., 945 tons, Captain G. King, for Rockhampton. Passengers—Mr. D. H. Ross, and 3 in the steerage.

Derwent, s., Captain F. Chapman, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Glade, Miss Glade, Miss B. Glade, Miss D. Glade, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Miss Barr, Messrs. Leathern, H. Loveland, George Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, also 15 in the second cabin.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—October 7.

Sea Flower, schooner, Captain N. J. Ivory, for Tweed River; Bessie Maud, schooner, Captain G. Pettersen, for Bellinger River.

IMPORTS.—October 7.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Gulf of Genoa, s., from Liverpool: 3282 cases 139 casks 77 quarter-casks 10 hogsheads 10 octaves 18 puncheons and 25 packages whisky, 311 hogsheads ale, 25 cases gin, 17 cases wine, 83 bales twine, 4 coils wire rope, 5 packages cordage, 11 bales canvas, 5 cases ironplates, 30 tons pigiron, 65 bales paper, 119 packages provisions, 25 cases hams, 14 drums varnish, 6 cases and 4 casks printing ink, 9 cases confectionery, 40 cases fish, 200 cases coffee essence, 16 cases granite, 5 pieces castings, 22 rolls brattice cloth, 39 rolls sacking, 343 packages nails and rivets, 49 cases cottons, 8 casks wire rope composition, 23 steel wheels, 2 bales cotton waste, 24 casks cement, 188 packages drapery, 58 barrels soda ash, 90 packages caustic soda, 40 drums potash, 12 packages bolts, 27 barrels ultramarine, 27 bales greys, 18 packages wire, 364 packages druggists' goods, 125 cases oil, 23 packages earthenware, 56 coils rope, 5 barrels varnish, 320 kegs white lead, 150 bundles hoops, 11 cases petroleum grease, 10 bags nuts, 28 cases oilcloth, 4 bales paperhangings, 93 cases pearl books 40 bundles shovels, 182 bundles hoop iron, 10 casks files, 34 steel sheets, 180 casks red lead, 50 camp ovens and covers, 7 drums caustic soda, 360 bundles sheet iron, 31 cases linen, 2505 bars and 2144 bundles iron, 359 bundles 25 cases sheet iron, 17 casks tiles, 2 cases machinery, 230 kegs chlorate of potash, 100 tubes, 8 barrels waste, 5 cases carbolic acid, 380 packages merchandise, and sundries; also 5851 packages general cargo for Brisbane.

Coraki, s., from Manning River: 736 bags maize, 10 bags bones, 11 bags oysters, 8 bales millet, 1 bale tobacco, 4 cases bottles, 3 bales wool, 326 cases eggs, 28 cases fruit, 7 cases fish, 87 coops poultry, 2 horses, 54 hides, 33 cans cream, 2 kegs and 108 boxes butter, 900 sleepers, 21 pieces cedar, 194 pigs, and 36 packages sundries.

Bega, s., from Eden: 381 cheese, 665 boxes 5 kegs butter, 40 cases eggs, 38 cans cream, 50 cases maizena, 2 cases 6 bags bacon, 5 cases fish, 69 bags potatoes, 58 bags chaff, 66 bags bark, 20 bags cattle food, 16 packages skins, 2 casks tallow, 1 boiler, 4 cows, 6 horses, 20 hides, 88 pigs, and sundries.

Oonah, s., from Hobart: 5834 cases fruit, 2000 staves, 850 bags bark, 10 bales hops, 77 bales wool, 11 casks ale, 547 pieces timber, 17 casks 16 bags fruit, 30 bundles willows, 56 bags malt, 156 bundles staves, 21 bags potatoes, and quantity sundries.

Julia Percy, s., from Melbourne: 2 casks oil, 33 chests oil, 5 cases nails, 3 cases bicycles, 142 bags potatoes, 53 bags onions, 25 cases lager beer, and sundries.

Fiado, s., from Noumea: 38 casks tar, 372 hides, 2 cases wine, 2 cases ore, 3 bales skins, and sundries.

Alagonia, s., from Fremantle: 6950 bags ore.

Larnaca, s., from Adelaide: 1640 boxes soap, 1940 bags flour, 138 bars bark, 122 bags salt, 4 poles and strippers, 96 bags bones, 91 packages metal, 22 cases wine, 5 cases beer, 85 casks oil, 32 bundles shovels, 44 bales wool, 25 cases salmon, 6 cases oil, and sundries.

Elamang, s., from Rockhampton, via ports: 538 bales wool, 116 bundles hides, 210 hides, 155 bales skins, 474 bundles pine, 25 cases meats, 25 hogsheads ale, 20 bags potatoes, 91 bags bones and hoofs, 294 sacks bonedust, 3848 bags sugar, 52 bags tailings, 24 bags oysters, 57 bags bacon, 28 coils rope, 43 cases meats, 35 cases drums and 2 casks oil, and sundries.

Kallatina, s., from Grafton: 666 bags maize, 500 bags bonedust, 64 bags sugar, 75 bags peas and beans, 7 bags potatoes, 2 bags pumpkins, 2 bales wool, 6 bales skins, 113 hides, 4 casks tallow, 50 drums oil, 313 cases eggs, 19 cases fruit, 15 cases fish, 21 coops poultry, 310 boxes butter, 9 crates bacon, 5000 spokes, 5 logs pine, 74 pieces hardwood, 124 pigs, 8 calves, 3 horses, a quantity furniture and machinery, 1 buggy, 1 box 2 parcels gold, and sundries.

EXPORTS.—October 7.

Armand Behic, French mail steamer, for Marseilles: 2027 bales wool, 546 bales sheepskins, 8 casks skins, 9 bags pearlshell, 10,812 ingots copper, 1 box coins (£335), 6 cases eucalyptus oil, 43 cases vanilla, and sundries; also original cargo from Noumea.

Fasen, s., for Hamburg, via Newcastle and Singapore: 2457 bags silver ore, 6 bales skins, 150 cases meats, 128 bags gum, 129 bags ore.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: October 7, Aramac, s., from Cooktown, via ports; Franklin, s., from Cairns; Ranelagh, s., Burwah, s., Rob Roy, s., from Rockhampton; Wodonga, s., Konoowarra, s., from Sydney. Departure: October 6, Sunbeam, for Sydney. The Katoomba, with the dredge Crocodile in tow, bound from Sydney to Townsville, passed Cape Moreton to-day.

BUNDABERG.—Arrival: October 7, Lady Musgrave, from Brisbane.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Arrivals: October 7, Kelloe, s., Fitzroy, s., from Brisbane.

FLATTOP ISLAND.—Arrival: October 7, Peregrine, s., from Brisbane. Departures: October 6, Karaweera, s., south. October 7, Peregrine, s., for Townsville.

CAIRNS.—Arrival: October 7, Arawatta, s., from Brisbane.

YAMBA.—Arrival: October 7, City of Grafton, s., from Sydney. Departure: October 7, Fiona, s., for Sydney. Passed: October 7, Sir Henry, schooner, Electra, s., Oakland, s., and Friendship, s., all south; Adelaide, s., north.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: October 7, Norkoowa, s., from Albany; Bankburn, barque, from Algoa Bay; Namoi, s., La Serena, s., Alice, s., Balmain, s., Vaileb, Lucretia, Annie Bow, schooners, Amy, brig, from Sydney; Excelsior, ketch, from Lake Macquarie. Departures: October 7, Elingamite, s., for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2054 tons coal; Zelma, ketch, for the Macleay River; Monowai, s., for Wellington, via Sydney, with 1020 tons coal; Wanaka, s., for Calcutta, via Townsville, with 2440 tons coal and 110 horses; W. H. Talbot, schooner, for Kohukui, with 1802 tons coal; Alice, s., Balmain, s., Namoi, s., for Sydney; Norkoowa, s., for Albany, via Port Kembla, with 500 tons coal; Era, s., for Geelong, with 3340 tons coal, 285 bales wool.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: October 7, Lindus, s., at 10 a.m., west; Tambo, s., at 4.20 p.m., south.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: October 7, Hebe, Norwegian ship, from Hamburg; Grafton, s., from Strahan. Departures: October 7, Pateena, s., for Launceston; Gleaner, schooner, for Westport.

SEMAPHORE.—Arrivals: October 7, Wolowra, s., from Fremantle; Wendouree, s., from Newcastle. Departures: October 7, Waroonga, s., for Melbourne and Sydney; Lochee, ship, for Melbourne.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Departure: October 7, Augusta, s., at 5.30 p.m., for Sydney. Passed: October 7, Katoomba, s., at 5 a.m., with dredge Croco ile in tow, a barque at 8.40 a.m., both north.

BYRON BAY.—Departure: October 6, Wollumbin, s., during night, for Sydney.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Arrivals: October 7, Wyoming, s., at 5.45 a.m., and Tomki, s., at 7 a.m., from Sydney; Sarfield, schooner, at 7.40 a.m.; Gleaner, schooner, off bar at 8.30 a.m.; Macleay, s., still in same position; 14ft. on bar and 9ft. on inside channel at high water. Departures: October 7, Friendship, s., at 6.35 a.m., Electra, s., at 6.40 a.m., and Oakland, s., at 7.15 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: October 7, Sunbeam, yacht, at 5 p.m., south.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrivals: October 7, City of Grafton, s., at 4.30 a.m., and Wyrallah, s., at 5.5 a.m., from Sydney. Departures: October 7, Sir Henry, schooner, at 6.40 a.m., Fiona at 4.40 p.m., for Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: October 7, Adelaide, s., at 12.45 p.m., north; one of the A.U.S.N. Company's steamers at 1 p.m., south. Departure: October 7, Excelsior at 6.40 p.m., for Byron Bay.

COFF'S HARBOUR.—Arrivals: October 7, Excelsior, s., at 11.30 a.m., from Sydney; Wollumbin, s., at 12.10 a.m., from Tweed River.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrival: October 7, Triumph, ketch, at 8 p.m. Departures: October 7, Jubilee, schooner, at 5.20 a.m., Empress of India, ketch, at 6 a.m.

BELLINGER HEADS.—Arrival: October 7, Rosedale, s., at 5.10 p.m., from Sydney.

NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Passed: October 7, Rosedale, s., at 11 a.m., north.

TRIAL BAY.—Passed: October 7, Electra at 7.30 p.m., south.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Departure: October 7, Fernmount at 6 p.m.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: October 7, Tyrian, s., at 3.30 p.m., south.

CROWDY HEAD.—Passed: October 7, Burrawong, s., at 2.35 p.m., south.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrivals: October 7, Willinga, schooner, at 2.15 p.m.; Express, s., at 3.30 p.m. Departures: October 7, Coral, ketch, at 4.45 p.m.; Shannon, schooner, at 5.30 p.m.

MANNING HEADS.—October 7, Rozelle and Louisa Lamont, schooners, harbound. Sea heavy on the bar.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: October 7, Express, s., at 10.30 a.m., and Burrawong, s., at 10.40 a.m., north; a four-masted barque at 11 a.m., north; a red funnel steamer at 5.45 p.m., north.

PORT STEPHENS.—Arrival: October 7, Jane, schooner, put into Port Stephens at 7.30 a.m. Passed: October 7, Kallatina, s., at 1 p.m., south; a large steamer at 6 p.m., south; Williams at 6 p.m., south.

LAKE MACQUARIE.—Arrival: October 6, Star of Peace, ketch, returned to port during night.

CATHERINE HILL BAY.—Departures: October 7, Illaroo, s., and Isabelle, schooner, at 2.30 p.m., for Sydney.

BARRANJOEY.—Arrival: October 7, Venus, ketch, at 3.45 p.m.

BULLAMBI.—Arrival: October 7, Currajong, s., at 8 a.m., from Sydney.

KIAMA.—Departure: October 7, Civility, s., at 11 a.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departures: October 7, Illawarra, s., at 8.15 a.m., and Coomonderry, s., at 9 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: October 7, Brand, s., at 11.45 a.m., and Oonah, s., at 2.50 p.m., north.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: October 7, Peterborough, s., at 10.30 a.m., for Sydney.

BERMAGUI.—Departure: October 7, Allowrie, s., at 12.45 p.m., for Tathra.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: October 7, Onda, s., at 9.20 a.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: October 7, Lindus, s., at 10 a.m., west; Tambo, s., at 4.10 p.m., south.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: October 7, Innamincka, s., at 11.20 a.m.; Cintra, s., at 2.35 p.m.; Queenscliff, s., at 6.20 p.m. Outwards: Argyle, s., at 5.40 p.m.

DEVONPORT (TAS.).—Arrival: October 7, Easby, s., at 8 a.m., from Melbourne.

LAUNCESTON.—Departure: October 7, Coogee, s., for Melbourne.

ALBANY (W.A.).—Arrival: October 6, Hubbuck, s., from Adelaide.

FREMANTLE (W.A.).—Departures: October 7, Baroso (s.), for Melbourne. October 6, Bullarra, s., for Geraldton; Berwickshire, ship, for London.

BUNBURY (W.A.).—Departure: October 6, Shaftesbury, s., for eastern colonies.

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METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 38 years, 49·862.

Average for 39 years from January 1 to September 30, 40·991.

Total rainfall from January 1, 1897, to October 7, 35·474.

Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m., 29·965.

Humidity.—9 a.m., 56; 3 p.m., 54.

Temperature.—Maximum, 65; minimum, 53·7.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29·96; Gascoigne, 30·00; Perth, 29·94; Esperance Bay, 29·81; Eucla, 29·81; Streaky Bay, 29·98; Adelaide, 30·04; Robe, 29·97; Portland, 29·98; Melbourne, 29·98; Gabo Island, 29·81; Cape St. George, 29·85; Sydney, 29·97; Newcastle, 29·98; Port Macquarie, 30·01; Clarence Heads, 29·98; Rockhampton, 30·00; Mackay, 29·97; Cooktown, 30·03.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M. BY MR. H. C. RUSSELL, GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

New South Wales.—Generally fine and clear.

New Caledonia.—Fine, but cloudy.

Western Australia.—Generally fine in north and central districts.

South Australia.—Generally fine and clear, scattered showers in the south.

Victoria and Straits.—Overcast along the coast, with showers in the south-east.

Tasmania.—Generally cloudy.

Queensland.—Fine, but cloudy along the coast, fine and clear inland.

Central and Northern Australia.—Cloudy and unsettled generally.

New Zealand.—Dull in north and south parts, fine in central.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS TO 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Light to moderate, chiefly in the north-east, with some thunderstorms. Armidale, 0·01; Bombala, 0·06; Bundarra, 0·03; Casino, 0·06; Clarence, 0·78; Gabo, 0·05; Glen Innes, 0·16; Grafton, 0·40; Inverell, 0·05; Kempsey, 0·08; Kiandra, 0·03; Lismore, 0·51; Moruya, 0·01; Port Macquarie, 0·08; Tabulam, 0·50; Tenterfield, 0·50; Tweed, 0·55; Walgett, 0·07.

Queensland.—Light, with thunderstorms; scattered in eastern districts. Cape Moreton, 0·45; Clermont, 0·03; Dalby, 0·28; Gayndah, 0·21; Goondiwindi, 0·08; Mackay, 0·28; Maryborough, 1·67; Nebo, 0·10.

Tasmania.—Light and scattered.

Western Australia.—Light in the south-west. Cape Otway, 0·14; Cape Schanck, 0·26; Port Albert, 0·09; Queenscliff, 0·06; Wilson's Promontory, 0·10.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 17ft. 5in.; Balranald, 11ft.; Bingara, 2ft. 6in., rising; Boolural, 8ft. 1in., rising; Bourke, 14ft. 1in. above and 6ft. 8in. below weir; Brewarrina, 4ft. 6in., falling; Deniliquin, 8ft.; Dubbo, 3ft. 8in.; Euabalong, 2ft. 2in., falling; Euston, 19ft. 11in.; Forbes, 3ft., rising; Goolagong, low; Gundagai, 7ft. 8in., falling; Hay, 8ft., falling; Hillston, 5ft. 4in., falling; Louth, 2ft. 8in., stationary; Manilla, low; Menindie, 11ft. 5in.; Mogil Mogil, 3ft., rising; Mungundi, 12ft. 6in., rising; Pooncarie, 11ft. 8in.; Tilpa, 6ft., falling; Tocumwal, 12ft. 6in.; Wagga Wagga, 6ft. 6in.; Wentworth, 13ft. 10in.; Wilcannia, 7ft. 8in.; Yetman, 7ft.; Barwon River at Walgett, 7ft. 10in.; Namoi River at Walgett, 3ft., stationary; Goondiwindi, 10ft., falling.

SYNOPSIS AT 6 P.M.

New South Wales.—Fine, clear, and cool throughout.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Byron Bay, calm, fine, sea smooth; Ballina, E.N.E., fine, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Bellinger Heads, W., light, fine, sea moderate; Nambucca Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Macleay Heads, E.S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, S.S.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, E., light, fine, sea heavy; Seal Rocks, E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Newcastle, E., fresh, fine, sea slight; Lake Macquarie Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; South Head, E.N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N., light, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N., light, fine, sea moderate; Ulladulla, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Moruya, N.N.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Eden, E.N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.S.E., light, cloudy, sea slight; Gabo Island, S.S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Strong N. to N.W. winds inland, fresh N.E. on the coast, weather fine and hot generally. Another low pressure is over the Australian Bight to-day, and is bringing some rain before the end of the week.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Fine, but change rapidly approaching from the west; weather becoming unsettled, followed by rain; N. winds, veering W. and S.W., blowing strong on the coast, with squalls and rough sea.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Generally fine, and becoming warmer, with light to fresh N. winds; sea moderating.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL FORECAST OF AUSTRALASIAN WEATHER, BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—Same as Queensland, with the addition of strong blows between west and south south from Manly; bad weather between Sydney and the Bluff.

Western Australia.—The Antarctic disturbance "Khoorul" will produce rain, strong S.W. squalls, and rough seas along south coast; generally fine in central and coast parts; monsoonal showers and electric disturbance in the far north.

Northern Territory.—A new monsoonal disturbance named "Hanan" will cause unsettled weather with thunderstorms and local rains and squalls; winds between N.E. and N.W.

South Australia.—Becoming unsettled throughout under the combined influence of the disturbances "Khoorul" and "Hanan"; considerable rain and thunderstorms are likely shortly, preceded by shifts of wind to N.E., N., and N.W.; strong S. and W., blows will follow with rough seas, but fine during the immediate future in the eastern half of the province.

Queensland.—The fine weather wave will ere long be followed by further thunderstorms and genial rains, affecting the colony generally, but somewhat scattered and capricious as to amounts of precipitation. During the immediate future, however, generally fine; sea moderate, and winds very variable.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Squally and showery from between N.W. and S. under the western edge of the disturbance "Calno," with areas of rough sea. "Khoorul" will shortly cause a repetition of these conditions.

New Zealand.—Stormy and wet under "Calno."

New Caledonia.—Thunder showers.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR OCTOBER 8.

Sun rises at 5.24, sets at 6.2; Moon, 4 p.m., 3.32 a.m.; Mercury, 4.41 a.m., 4.35 p.m.; Venus, 4.7 a.m., 3.31 p.m.; Mars, 6.2 a.m., 7.5 p.m.; Jupiter, 4.29 a.m., 4.30 p.m.; Saturn, 7.29 a.m., 9.24 p.m.

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THIS DAY.

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Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.

Manning River.—Coraki, 9 a.m.

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Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Indramayo, 11 a.m.

Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Monowai, 3 p.m.

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United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, via Adelaide.—F.M.S. Armand Behic, 4.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Batavia and Singapore, via Newcastle.—Fasen, 8 a.m.

Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Hongkong, Manila, and Japan.—Airlie, noon.

Brisbane.—Leura, 1 p.m.

Richmond River.—Electra, 3 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kallatina, 4 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Menindery, 9.30 p.m.

Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.

Hobart and Launceston.—Oonah, 11 a.m.

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Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Orient, 5.30 p.m.

Richmond River.—Tomki, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Bateman's Bay and Nelligen.—Peterborough, 2 p.m.

Fiji and Noumea.—Birksgate, 4 p.m.

Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1897.

Yesterday the Legislative Council went into committee for further consideration of the Medical Bill, and the bill was reported with amendments.

The Law Practitioners Bill was read the second time, and then the second reading of the Moree to Inverell Railway Bill was moved, and after considerable discussion the debate was adjourned.

In the Legislative Assembly the House went into committee to further consider the expediency of bringing in the Local Option Bill. The committee was engaged up to a late hour with the consideration of the subject.

The German colonial party denounces the settlement arrived at between France and Germany with regard to the hinterland of Dahomey and Togoland, West Africa, as a severe defeat.

Mr. E. Burney Young, superintendent of the South Australian Government depot in London, has arranged with numbers of leading firms at Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, and Kurrachee to sell the depot wines in those cities.

A cablegram from London announces the death of Mr. Gowen Evans, of the Melbourne "Argus."

The death is announced of Sir John Gilbert, president of the Royal Society of Painters in Water Colours, at the age of 80.

Mr. Thomas Fielden, M.P. for Lancashire, South-East (Middleton Division), died suddenly on Wednesday whilst grouse shooting.

Reports have been received in Rome to the effect that the native inhabitants of Kassala, in the Eastern Soudan, are willing to re-enlist a force to serve under an Anglo-Egyptian garrison.

The Brazilian troops have captured Canados, the stronghold of Conselheiro, the Portuguese fanatic who attempted to raise an armed rebellion against the Government. Conselheiro was taken, and has been imprisoned.

Miss Beatrice Newman, of Bathurst, has been awarded by Trinity College, London, a local exhibition for the violin.

Miss Ada Crossley has appeared with great success in the oratorio of "Elijah" at the Birmingham Festival.

Fitzsimmons having definitely retired from the ring, James Corbett, the ex-champion, claims the championship.

Bush fires have devastated a district 20 miles long, south of Ottawa, Canada. Three villages and numbers of stores have been destroyed. Two hundred persons have been rendered homeless.

The employers of the London shipbuilders and engineers, who had decided to give the eight-hours system a trial, have reverted to nine hours as a day's labour for their workmen.

They notify that the eight-hours system had proved most unsatisfactory, and declare that the unions made further encroachments and forced the employers to form an association to protect their trade.

Yesterday the inquest touching the death of the late Senior-constable Murrow was concluded. The jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against Daniel Conway, a young fireman, and he was committed for trial at the next sittings of the Central Criminal Court.

A new bridge over Stonequarry Creek, in the Picton district, was officially opened yesterday by the Minister for Works.

The Hon. Mrs. Ferguson yesterday opened a garden fete in aid of the funds of the Manly Industrial School.

A deputation yesterday asked the Railway Commissioners to grant increased facilities as regarded railway communication with the city to the North Shore district.

At a concert that was given at Dapto on Wednesday evening Mr. Andrew Blanchard was just concluding his favourite song when he dropped dead. The event caused great consternation in the hall.

As the Crookwell mail coach was nearing the junction between Woodhouselee and Goulburn on Wednesday night the horses bolted down a steep hill.

The driver was thrown out, the wheels of the coach passing over him, severely bruising him.

Mr. F. Cartwright, a passenger, attempted to jump off, and was thrown under the coach. The wheels passed over him, crushing his shoulder and breaking three ribs. His lungs are punctured, and he is in a precarious condition.

A sale of work in aid of the St. Andrew's Cathedral Mission was commenced yesterday in the St. Andrew's Cathedral school, the opening ceremony being performed by Miss French.

Fifty thousand acres of land were thrown open at Hillston yesterday in 66 blocks, but only seven were selected, representing an area of about 12,000 acres.

At the London wool sales on Wednesday a poor selection was offered, but prices were unchanged.

South Australian oranges from the Government depot, taken to England by the steamer Bungaree, have been selling in Liverpool at from 11s to 14s per case. Other lots sold at from 10s 6d to 12s 3d per case.

Bar silver was quoted in London on Wednesday at 2s 1½d per oz. standard.

At the Sydney wool sales yesterday 3849 bales were catalogued, and 6115 sold. There was again a good attendance of buyers. Competition was general and well sustained throughout.

There was very little business in investments in the Stock and Share market yesterday. Government stocks and bonds were quoted the same as on Wednesday.

In the Import market yesterday business in general merchandise continued rather quiet. Very little was done either in wheat or flour.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 4311 bales of wool were manifested. 388 bales arrived coastwise, and 587 were received by rail at Newcastle on Wednesday.

An improvement was noticeable in the Mining market yesterday, the greater part of the business being done in Western Australian gold companies.

The customs revenue received yesterday amounted to £5707.

On the 6th instant the R.M.S. Parramatta arrived at Suez homeward.

The R.M.S. Massilia arrived at Plymouth on the 6th instant.

On the same date the R.M.S. Orotava arrived at Plymouth.

The reproach to which the Assembly has sometimes laid itself open of appearing to shirk the opportunity of coming to close quarters with the question of local option could not be urged against the manner in which the subject was dealt with last evening. It is hardly within probability that Parliament will be able during the present session, or perhaps during the present Parliament, to pass a measure of a drastic and comprehensive character dealing with the liquor traffic. It was apparently because this was recognised that the House took the opportunity afforded it by the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr. Cook for leave to introduce the Liquor Traffic Local Option Bill to handle the motion for leave in such a way as to fairly define the attitude of the Assembly to the whole question. The Chamber by a strong majority carried Mr. Copeland's amendment omitting from the motion of leave the words "and prohibit," the effect being to prevent the measure from being one of prohibition, and limiting its scope to the object of regulation. It rejected an amendment having for its purpose the omission of the local element from the bill, and thus preserved the right of the residents in the district interested to exercise on their own behalf the powers embodied in the bill. And on the important question of compensation it was made clear from the tone of the debate and the division taken that the discussions of the last few years have not been in vain, and that the time is at hand when the liquor question may be dealt with by Parliament in a way which, if not satisfactory to extremists on either side, will be in accordance with the matured opinions of the people, and conducive to the interests of the community as a whole.

Everyone who has given attention to the subject knows how it is that all attempts made in this colony during recent years to supply any remedy to the notorious abuses of the liquor trade have been foredoomed to failure. The reason was supplied by the [illegible] and irreconcilable difference between the two sides. One side would be content with nothing less than the power of absolute prohibition without compensation for those whose trade was suppressed. The other side often preferred the demand for compensation in such a way as to render it equivalent to a State endowment. The one demand was resisted at once by the feeling of individual liberty and the instinct of fair play. The other was seen to be capable of being worked so as to provide a premium to houses which in some cases ought never to have been licensed, and which in others ought to have been ruthlessly suppressed by force of law. The blame for the deadlock rested largely with those whose laudable if impassioned zeal for a highly necessary reform led them to put forward a scheme which never secured the favour of Parliament, and so far as could be seen was never supported by a majority of the people.

In the able and moderate speech which the Premier contributed to the debate he showed that there was good reason to believe that a general approximation of opinion is growing up upon this important subject in such a way as to render practical legislation possible. Take, for instance, the adoption of Mr. Copeland's amendment striking out the power of prohibition. That at once removed one of the strong objections he had always entertained to the plans of the local optionists. The question of compensation also the Premier thought has undergone a great change. The obstacle in the way of liquor reformers has been caused by their refusal to entertain the idea of compensation to persons whose houses might be closed under local option. There has undoubtedly been a strong feeling in the minds of the public that some compensation must be given to those who were deprived by a legislative enactment of a business which former legislation had licensed, and we may almost say established. But what is "compensation"? It was for a long time assumed that this must mean a payment in cash, probably a large one. It is apparent, and the experience of the last few years has confirmed the view, that if this is what was meant no such settlement is possible. The Legislature, in endeavouring to reduce the injurious excess of licensed houses, would never begin by providing a fund to supply bonuses for the establishment of such houses wherever practicable. Such a course of legislation might operate rather to multiply the number of houses than to reduce it. The local optionists were perfectly right in resisting so preposterous a claim. The wiser members of their organisation met it in the best way by putting forward a counter proposal, that the compensation to be provided should take the form of time consideration. The idea seems to have grown, and now, if Mr. Reid is right in his estimate of the position, the spirit of refusing any consideration to the owners of closed houses, as though they were criminals under sentence, has wholly disappeared, while at the same time all notion of cash compensation has vanished from the political field. In this view he recommended the House to accept the amendment providing for compensation, leaving the definition of that term to be supplied by the bill itself. The Premier holds that in the present state of the case there is a possibility of practical and useful legislation which would operate to mitigate the evils of the liquor trade by reducing the number of temptations and inducements to drink. Mr. Reid may be taken as a competent authority on this point, inasmuch as during his political life he has been a sturdy champion of the legitimate rights of the publican and of the freedom of the individual. All who are interested in the welfare of society as affected by the curse of excessive drinking would rejoice to believe that as a result of the discussions of some years the time has come when conditions are ripe for such a stringent reform of the liquor trade as may operate to the benefit and the progress of the general community. It is to be hoped that last night's debate, which was carried on in a reasonable and practical spirit of legitimate compromise, may be helpful in this direction.

The nominations have now been made for the Victorian elections; the candidates have addressed the constituencies; and a stage has been reached at which it is possible to make some estimate of the situation. No less than thirteen candidates have been returned unopposed. Amongst them are three Ministers, including the Premier, and of the remainder some are Ministerialists and some belong to the Opposition. These gentlemen doubtless hold their seats because of the local influence that they command, but if there had been any strong party feeling their position would most probably have been challenged. In a time of political strife and unrest few seats are to be obtained without a contest. It is, however, when we come to the addresses of the principal candidates, of men who have had Parliamentary experience, that it is made clear that no party policy is at stake. Sir George Turner, having in view some of the criticisms that a section of the labour party passed upon his Government, asked the country for "loyal" supporters. Mr. Trenwith has explained that the Premier could not refer to the labour party, but only to a few members, of whose conduct he himself disapproved. But this is a matter of minor importance. Sir George Turner has abandoned the idea of a State bank and of a tax upon the unimproved land value, which in Victoria would be a heavy addition to the land taxes that are already in existence. He has issued a programme which contains little that would cause more than a friendly discussion, and that the members of the Opposition could support. In fact, the differences between the two sides of the House are largely removed. It is true that the Opposition is disorganised and is without a leader, but its assistance in a policy of peace and quiet work is still valuable; and although the two parties may never amalgamate, their friendliness will stop the extremists for a time. Then there is to be taken into account the reputation that Sir George Turner has gained by his steady work at the difficult problem of the finances, which has resulted in a small surplus. The majority of the candidates recognise the fact that he has done excellent service as Treasurer, and are willing that he should continue in his position. There is a general belief in his ability and integrity in matters of finance that gives him at the present time a personal power which the members of the Opposition acknowledge. For these reasons, amongst others, the election contest in Victoria is deprived of the absorbing interest that attaches to a party struggle. The chief excitement concerns the personal merits and demerits of the different candidates.

But in this state of affairs there seems to be little hope of any modification of the tariff. There are some who say that there ought to be no further tinkering with the duties, and others who declare that federation will set all matters right. A number of the candidates, however, are opposed to the stock tax, which is the worst, the most annoying, and in every way the most mischievous of all the border duties that Victoria has imposed. The agitation for the stock tax, in favour of maintaining it and for its continuance, has come mainly from Gippsland. It does not benefit the farmers on the plains near the Murray, who would do a better business if they were allowed to import "stores" which might be fattened on their pastures in the favourable season of the year. It does not benefit the consumer, for the supply of meat in the Melbourne market is inadequate to the demand, and the price is steadily increasing. A considerable number of people have probably found it necessary to diminish their butcher's bill, while only a few graziers and middlemen are reaping the profits of high-priced meat. But the unfortunate consumer has nowhere to turn. He finds that bread is taxed, that vegetables are taxed, and that he must be prepared to pay high rates in a season when the supply is not large. Some members of the Victorian Government have boasted that so many thousands of pounds accrued to the farmers because of the protective duty on wheat. But there was no real gain to the country, for the money was simply taken from people in the cities, who could ill afford to pay exorbitant prices. It is to be hoped that those candidates who protest against the restriction of the food supply will meet with some measure of success. And yet it is solemnly argued that those wretched duties which are unfriendly towards this colony should stand in the way of federation itself. It is proposed, for example, that the stock tax should be continued for a term of years in order that those who have benefited by it might be let down lightly. It would be more in accordance with the spirit of federation to begin at once by lowering the duties, with the ultimate object of abolishing them.

With this exception of the stock tax and the duties on food, the tariff is but rarely discussed in the addresses to the Victorian electors. Sir George Turner's main reason for leaving it alone is undoubtedly his desire to wait for the end of the Federal Convention, and his hope that federation will become an accomplished fact. If such be the result of the work of the Convention, it is obvious that Victorian politics will be placed upon a very different footing, and that in the meantime there is little to be done except to attend to the ordinary business of the country. But if this be his motive, he has certainly hit upon the policy which the great majority of Victorians seem to desire. They have had no great political struggles, but they have passed through a troublous financial period. Now, when the public finances have been restored and their business is increasing, and there are signs of returning prosperity, they have no wish to be drawn into a political strife. They want peace and quietness, so that they may look after their own affairs and extend their transactions and be untroubled by outside influences. The feeling is natural, for the business of the colony is now of more importance than any party question that has yet been raised. Then it must be remembered that a good deal of experimental legislation was passed during last session, some of which has not yet come into operation on account of the practical objections that have been made. The more thoughtful people desire to see how it will work in practice before they commit themselves to further experiments. In social legislation, the effects of which cannot be accurately foreseen, there must be a pause. Sir George Turner's attitude in this and other matters has, of course, caused much discontent amongst his former Radical followers. Mr. Higgins, who will be remembered in Sydney as a member of the Convention, poses as an ultra Radical, and denounces the policy of the Premier. Some of the members of the labour party declare that they must go into Opposition and assail bitterly the Premier's attitude. Such things were to be expected. Nevertheless, Sir George Turner has probably done what is best for Victoria and its people, and he is certainly strongly supported.

A decision has recently been given by Judge Coffey which is of special interest to stock inspectors, but which raises, at the same time, a somewhat wider question. The facts are briefly that a stock inspector made an unexpected visit to a property on which a number of sheep are carried, and he took with him the manager of a station who had lost some sheep. The Judge held that, while the inspector had a right to look at the property at any hour in order to satisfy himself that the law was observed, he had no right to invite another person who might have private reasons for making an examination. The position seems to be clear. The Government gives its inspectors a large measure of authority; but this power is entrusted to the inspector alone, whose duty it is to report to his superiors, and not to assist in private matters. As there are many inspectors, and the number is only too likely to be increased, it is to be hoped that the principle which underlies the judgment will be noticed and remembered. There have been complaints in Melbourne, whether right or wrong we are not in a position to judge, that some of the inspectors appointed under recent enactments have ostentatiously taken one side in their reports. If the allegation be true, it only proves that the work of an inspector ought to be clearly defined. If he has to visit factories, his simple duty is to make a note of what he observes. Should he find that the law is broken in any way, he has simply to report the circumstance and leave it to the authorities to determine what ought to be done. The idea that one inspector, who can see only a few cases, should advocate some cause or other is absurd. And, further, it is not the business of an inspector to harass employers unnecessarily. They are appointed to find out evasions of the law, and not to show their brief authority according to their own caprice. Those who are carried away in this fashion are doubtless few; but for the sake of the few who forget their proper business every lesson is valuable.

The news from the Indian frontier brings us to a stage of great interest. To-day is the time appointed for the first of the columns of the great expeditionary force under General Lockhart starting from Peshawur. Our latest news indicates the bold resolution with which the hostile clans are preparing to face the gathering storm. A similar instance of the unbroken spirit of the mountaineers was afforded the other day on the occasion of an encounter between Brigadier-General Jeffrey's column and the tribesmen, in which the latter apparently had all the advantage of numbers and position. It now appears that the tribesmen showed a tendency to jeer at the disinclination of the column to renew the engagement. It may be, of course, that the earlier and apparently more favourable reports referred to the outlying forces of the Afridis and others, and that the main strength of the enemy has yet to be essayed. Indeed, it is known that until the expedition of General Lockhart arrives at Tirah the real crux of the situation will not be reached. Meanwhile we are told that the flower of the British and native armies, numbering some 65,000 men, is gathered on the frontier. With this comes the Ameer's declaration as a counterbalancing factor. Had that ruler's influence been given even tacitly to the tribesmen, the situation would have been much more critical than it is. But his condemnation of their action is not only sharp and peremptory in itself, but it comes coupled with so vigorous a denunciation of the Russophile policy of Shere Ali and Yakoub Khan that there should be no room left for doubt as to the good faith of Abdurrahman's intentions. None the less anxiously, however, will the news of the progressive success of General Lockhart's expedition be awaited.

CONSULAR AFFAIRS.—Consul-General Kempermann, who succeeds Mr. Pelldram as official representative of the German Empire at this port, arrived yesterday at Albany by the mail steamer Prinz Regent Luitpold, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd.

THE LUCKNOW STRIKE.—In the Legislative Assembly last night the Minister for Justice, in answer to Mr. Sleath, who asked a question with reference to an alleged assault case at Orange, said the following answer had been supplied by his colleague the Attorney-General:—"I decline to answer any questions affecting the administration of justice in criminal cases while the cases are sub judice." Later, in answer to Mr. Sleath, the Minister for Justice said he had been informed by his colleague the Attorney-General that Mr. C. E. Pilcher, Q.C., had not been briefed by the Government to prosecute the miners for offences alleged to have been committed in connection with the Lucknow strike.

THE CYANIDE PATENT.—In the Legislative Assembly yesterday afternoon the Minister for Justice, in answer to Mr. Neild, said it was a fact that the Examiner of Patents had before him for decision a request for leave to amend the specification of the Cyanide patent. Opposition to the request had been lodged by the Crown Solicitor on behalf of the Attorney-General and the Minister for Mines. It was impossible at the present stage to estimate what the action would cost. In the event of an appeal from any decision of the examiner of patents the Minister for Justice would decide the application to amend. He (the Minister for Justice) was not personally interested as a member of any mining company, or otherwise, in the use of cyanide solutions for the recovery of gold, either as a licensee under the patent or regardless of the patent. It appeared to be unnecessary to have the decision in the first instance made purely formal, leaving the final determination to the Courts of justice.

LENGTH OF TRAMWAY SECTIONS.—Mr. Law, in the Legislative Assembly last night, asked for information as to the distances of the various twopenny tramway sections from Bent-street, Sydney. The Premier, in answer, said he was informed that the distances were:—To Bondi Junction, 3 miles 49 chains; Kensington, 3 miles 20 chains; Waterloo, 3 miles 37 chains; Enmore, 3 miles 74 chains; Johnston-street, Leichhardt, 3 miles 59 chains; Wigram-street, Forest Lodge, 3 miles 12 chains; Dowling-street, 2 miles 35 chains; Glebe Point, 3 miles 13 chains.

CARPENTERIAN REFORMATORY.—Mr. Hogue, M.L.A., has given notice, in the Legislative Assembly, to ask the Minister for Public Instruction,—1. What rental is being paid by the Government for Brush Farm, used as a Reformatory for Boys? 2. For what term was this farm leased, and what is the unexpired term of the lease? 3. Is it intended to continue the occupancy of Brush Farm as a Reformatory for Boys? 4. What amount, approximately, is annually being expended upon the farm by the Government in permanent improvements? 5. Will these improvements revert to the owner of the farm on the expiration of the lease? 6. If it is intended to continue the occupancy of this property as a reformatory, does the Government purpose continuing to hold it on lease, adding annually to its value by improvements; or is it in contemplation to resume the property before it is made more valuable by the expenditure of public money upon it?

TRAINING MEAT INSPECTORS.—In reference to the deputation to the Minister for Agriculture on Wednesday from the Veterinary Medical Association, in regard to making provision for training inspectors of meat, the president of the Board of Health, Dr. Ashburton Thompson, says it is essential, if meat is to be properly inspected, that provision should be made for educating the inspectors. This he has already pointed out on two or three occasions, and no doubt, he says, the Technical College and the Veterinary Association should have their share in the training. But no such scheme can be carried out unless the opportunity of practically inspecting meat under guidance at some abattoir under a suitable inspector is open. This is so evident that Dr. Thompson wishes to take the opportunity once more of making it known that inspectors of nuisances and police inspectors under the Diseased Animals and Meat Act, and any other accredited person, including the veterinary students at the Technical College, are welcome to visit the Glebe Island Abattoirs, after getting formal permission to do so, for the purpose of completing their practical education as meat inspectors. Dr. Thompson says veterinary surgeons are very suitable people to supervise the inspection of meat, but for this purpose they must themselves have learnt how to do it, meat inspection being quite a separate matter, involving practical experience not necessarily possessed by veterinary surgeons or medical officers of health, and on the other hand very freely possessed by butchers and others who have no veterinary knowledge. The butcher, however, lacks scientific information possessed by the veterinary surgeon, and therefore, while the work of general inspection could probably be well carried on by employing trained butchers and the like as meat inspectors, they should have the opportunity of referring occasionally to some veterinary inspector, and perhaps ultimately to a medical officer of health placed over them.

THE WHEAT CROP IN THE SOUTH-WEST.—Mr. J. L. Thompson, the travelling instructor to the Agricultural Department, has furnished a report to the Minister, Mr. Sydney Smith, on his recent visit to Moama, Yass, and Bowning. He says the wheat crops of the districts he visited were looking remarkably well, and if the favourable weather continue they will have the most bountiful wheat harvest ever reaped in that part of the colony.

HUMBLE BEES FOR NEW SOUTH WALES.—Some time ago the Agricultural Department imported some humble bees from New Zealand for the purpose of fertilising the flowers of the red clover. Red clover is very widely grown in New Zealand, but as in the absence of the humble bee the seed would not mature, the plants did not spread naturally and much money used to be spent in the importation of seed from abroad. After many efforts the humble bee was successfully imported from England six or seven years ago, and this useful and harmless insect has now spread all over New Zealand, and red clover seed is now readily grown in that colony. It was with the object of bringing about similar results in this colony that the department here imported the humble bees. They were liberated in the Botanic Gardens, but it seems doubtful whether they ever became established. None have been seen, and it is believed that they were promptly devoured by the omnivorous sparrow shortly after their liberation. Under these circumstances the New Zealand Department of Agriculture has presented the New South Wales Department with a further consignment of these bees. The bees arrived the other day, and have been sent to Inverell and other country districts where the sparrow is scarce.

GOVERNMENT LABOUR BUREAU.—On Wednesday 50 men for navvying work on the railway near Carlingford were selected at the Labour Bureau, and left by train yesterday morning. The 12 vacancies in the contingent of 100, which was despatched to Cootamundra on Monday, caused by men not presenting themselves when the train left, were filled by others. Yesterday evening 12 men were sent away to fill vacancies in the Bogan scrub-cutting gangs. Another selection of 50 men, for navvying work on the railway, will be made at the bureau on Monday. The rate of pay for this employment is 6s per day. The work will extend over several weeks.

MAIL STEAMERS.—The Mariposa left Auckland at 2 a.m. yesterday for Sydney, and the agents expect her here early on Monday morning, though by good steaming she might easily make the port on Sunday evening. Captain Hayward, however, has advised Monday as the date of his arrival. The Canadian-Australian liner Warrimoo, it is thought, may arrive to-morrow from Vancouver, unless delayed by bad weather. Yesterday the French mail steamer Armand Behic left here for Marseilles, and was seen off by a select gathering of visitors. The Orient Company has cable news that the Orotava, hence August 23, arrived at Plymouth on the 6th instant; and the P. and O. Company's Massilia, from Sydney, August 16, is advised as arriving at Plymouth the same date. The Parramatta, from Sydney, August 30, arrived at Suez on the morning of the 6th instant.

THE WEATHER.—The clearing-up showers of the recent storm were up north about the Tweed, Richmond, and Clarence River districts, from half to three-quarters of an inch. Yesterday's reports were of fine weather all over the colony, with generally cool southerly winds inland and westerly on the coast. A new disturbance made its appearance in Western Australia yesterday, and is likely to affect New South Wales to-day or to-morrow.

SAFETY OF A SAILING SHIP.—Attention was the other day called to a doubt which existed here with reference to a cable published announcing the arrival at Pernambuco of a castaway crew from a vessel, given as the Margretha. It was feared that in sending the message the barque Margherita (a vessel bound from New York to Australia) was referred to. Yesterday Messrs. H. W. Peabody and Co., having cabled to their New York house, received a reply stating that the Margherita has not been abandoned. She is on her way to Brisbane.

THE NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING COMPANY'S MANAGER.—The question of freights has been for some time occupying the attention of the New Zealand Shipping Company, consequent upon the recent action of producers in New Zealand in bringing about a general reduction in the price paid for the transmission of cargoes. Mr. Isaac Gibbs, of Christchurch, general manager for the company, has been on a visit to England in connection with shipping affairs. Mr. Gibbs has been investigating the question of freights and passage rates, and has also made inquiries with a view to altering and strengthening the company's fleet. Mr. Gibbs returned from England at the beginning of this week, and is staying at the Hotel Australia. He will, on his return to New Zealand, report to the company on the result of his investigations.

SHIPPING CASUALTIES.—The steamer Rosedale last evening reached the Bellinger River from Sydney with Captain J. M. Banks on board and salvage gear for lifting Mr. Francis Buckle's sunken tug Alert, which recently foundered after collision. Particulars were yesterday received by the underwriters that the coasting steamer Australia had put back to Hobart on a voyage to Strahan in what is described as the worst gale ever experienced on the west coast of Tasmania. The underwriters also received word yesterday that the ketch Victory had gone ashore on the Tasmanian coast. The William and Martha, previously reported a complete wreck, has been floated and taken into the Victoria dock at Hobart. Particulars of a fire on board the steamship Imperator, in Bombay harbour, received by mail, state that valuable assistance was rendered by the officers and crew of the P. and O. Company's Mirzapore.

THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY.—A meeting of the committee formed for the purpose of securing the election of Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, to the Senate of the University of Sydney in the room of the late Sir William Windeyer, was held yesterday afternoon at Wigram-chambers, under the presidency of Professor MacCallum, and there was a good attendance. It was reported that circulars had been sent out informing members of Convocation of the candidature of Mr. Justice Simpson. They bore the names of about 60 members who had already joined the committee, and it was now stated that the number of supporters had already been more than doubled. Arrangements were made for future meetings and for other proceedings in furtherance of the object in view. In the circular alluded to the following appeared:—"Mr. Justice Simpson graduated with first-class honours in classics at the University of Cambridge, which is a guarantee of his scholarship and literary attainments. He was elected Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, and thus had valuable experience in academic management. He took his ad eundem M.A. degree at the University of Sydney, which is one proof among others of his interest in higher education in this colony." At the last election of the kind there were two candidates, these being Dr. Cullen and Sir Joseph Abbott. The contest, which was a severe one, terminated in a victory for Dr. Cullen, who secured about 180 votes, the number recorded for Sir Joseph Abbott (who is regarded as a probable candidate on the present occasion) being about 160. It is said that the number who promised to vote for Dr. Cullen was about 240. The seat formerly held by Sir William Windeyer will be declared vacant at the meeting of the Senate next Monday. A meeting of Convocation for the purpose of election must be held within 60 days from that day. If there be more than one candidate a ballot will take place, but not until after the expiration of a week from the day of nomination, so it is probable that the election will not be held until about six weeks from the present.

PICNIC AT THE MAYOR'S RESIDENCE.—The Mayor invited a number of gentlemen to a picnic, which was held at his residence, Chelmer, Merrylands, yesterday. Altogether there were about 60 guests, the majority of whom spent the day enjoying the hospitality of Alderman Ives. Among the visitors were Sir George Dibbs, Colonel Rowe, Aldermen Matthew Harris, Taylor, Joseph, Booth, Small, Waine, Rainford, Henry Chapman, Bears, Landers, and Penny, Messrs. Small (Water and Sewerage Department), Spiller, Copland (Wagga), Crouch, John Pope, and the principal officers of the City Corporation. Cricket, bowls, and other pastimes were indulged in, and a luncheon, which was served by Tollemache, was partaken of. At the luncheon the toasts of "The Queen," "The Mayor," and "The Visitors" were honoured, "The Mayor" being submitted by Sir George Dibbs.

WAVERLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL.—The chairman of the local School Board (Alderman Simpson) and Mrs. Alfred Allen (hon. secretary) formally visited the Waverley Public school on Wednesday and Mr. Simpson addressed the children. There are on the roll over 1000 scholars, and the average attendance in the infants' schoolroom under Miss Law is 301. In visiting the various classrooms the members of the board were pleased with the discipline and order.

ELECTION OF A CANON OF ST. ANDREW'S.—A meeting of clergy of the diocese of Sydney for the election of a canon to St. Andrew's Cathedral in succession to Canon Hulton King was held at the Chapter-house yesterday. The Ven. Archdeacon Gunther presided. There were two candidates—the Rev. Dr. Corlette, of St. John's, Ashfield, and the Rev. John Vaughan, of Summer Hill. The election resulted in favour of Dr. Corlette, for whom a majority of votes was recorded.

THE ENGLISH CHURCH UNION.—Anniversary services of the New South Wales branch of the English Church Union were held yesterday in Christ Church, S. Lawrence. At 7 in the morning there was holy communion, the celebrant being the Rev. F. J. Albery. At 7.30 p.m. choral evensong was held, and a sermon delivered by the incumbent, the Rev. Gerard Trower. The preacher alluded to the work of the E.C.U. in England. He urged his hearers to make themselves acquainted with the doctrines, history, and ritual of the Church, and help to educate others on the subject.

FAREWELL MISSIONARY MEETING.—The Rev. Percy C. Nall will next month sail for India to engage in missionary work under the auspices of the Victorian Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, and yesterday evening a farewell meeting was held in the Burton-street Tabernacle. Mr. W. White occupied the chair, there being also on the platform Mrs. W. White, Miss Middleton, the Rev. E. Price (president of the Baptist Union), the Rev. F. Hibberd, the Rev. Dr. Porter, the Rev. H. Clark, and Mr. Nall. In front of the platform appeared the word "Mizpah" in large letters, whilst at the back was the motto "India for Christ." Speeches were delivered, the speakers including the whole of the gentlemen already mentioned, also Mr. Oldham (one of the deacons), who bore testimony to the valuable service rendered by Mr. Nall in association with the church and Sunday school, and Mr. W. Rogers, who alluded to the good work done by him in relation to the Christian Endeavour. A missionary hymn was sung by the chairman. Mr. Nall said that he thought it was a nice thing to be a missionary, but when it came to sitting down and writing an application he experienced a searching time, for he had to decide whether he would give up his prospects here, leave his friends, suffer hardships, and engage in work that would perhaps be heartrending and full of obstacles. At last the way was made clear, and he saw that it was the right thing to do.

ROMAN CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES FOR THE ISLANDS.—The Roman Catholic missions in Polynesia and Papua are to receive shortly a substantial increase in the clerical and teaching staff. The party, comprising eight Rev. Fathers, five

Brothers, and eight Sisters, are passengers by the German mail steamer Prinz Regent Luitpold, which is due at Sydney towards the end of next week. Upon inquiry last night at the Sacred Heart Mission, Randwick, it was ascertained that this detachment will be distributed amongst the Roman Catholic stations in British New Guinea and in the Gilbert Islands.

NATIONAL ART GALLERY.—The latest addition to the national collection, an oil-painting just delivered by the Cuzco, is now on view at the Art Gallery. The work in question is a beautiful oil painting by Yeend King, R.I., R.B.A., entitled "The Garden by the River." The reposeful charm which inspires this old-world scene will not fail to strike the visitor. The painter shows an English garden, with sun flowers and old-fashioned blooms delicately treated, on the hither side of a river. Partly facing the spectator sits a convalescent girl, who is sipping the all-reviving air whilst her auburn-haired sister reads aloud. On the further side of the stream, which is spanned by an ancient bridge of grey stone, are boats moored near a grassy bank, above which an open gate gives from the shade a vivid vista of fields of light beyond. A few red-roofed houses, umbrageous trees, and a singularly lofty sky, almost covered with impalpable fleecy clouds, completes the view. The picture is pre-eminently remarkable for the happy way in which the spirit of the sunny afternoon is suggested, and for the clearness of the atmosphere which envelops the whole. "The Garden by the River" was exhibited at the Royal Academy this year, and was purchased for the New South Wales trustees by the Royal Academy Council, which at the same time secured Margetson's "The Sea Hath its Pearls," now on its way here. Visitors to the Art Gallery will be surprised to note how vastly the water-colours have been advantaged by their position in the new court. At the southern end of this noble chamber will be seen the six water-colours which formed the nucleus of the present collection, originally purchased in 1875.

FATAL BURNING ACCIDENT.—A girl named Drummond MacNeil, 11, who resides with her parents at Redfern, was taken to the Sydney Hospital yesterday suffering from severe burns on the arms, legs, and body, the result of her clothes having caught alight whilst she was superintending some cooking operations. She lingered for several hours, when she succumbed to her injuries.

CYCLING FATALITY IN SUSSEX-STREET.—William James Walsh (19), lately residing at 177 Pitt-street, and employed at the Atlas Engineering Works as assistant engineer, met with a fatal accident whilst proceeding to his work on a bicycle yesterday morning. Deceased had just passed from Hay-street into Sussex-street, when he came into violent collision with a vehicle. It is stated that he was riding at a fairly rapid pace, and was unprovided with a brake. He was thrown heavily to the ground, and his head was crushed by the wheel of the cart. The Civil Ambulance Brigade conveyed the body to the Sydney Hospital, where Dr. Terrey pronounced life to be extinct. It is believed that death was instantaneous.

THE CANTERBURY DRIVING FATALITY.—At Prince Alfred Hospital yesterday the City Coroner held an inquest on the body of John Robert Barry, 45, the collector who was fatally injured on Wednesday through being thrown from a sulky which he was driving at Canterbury. The circumstances surrounding his death were narrated in yesterday's "Herald." A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

THE UNIVERSITIES AND BRISBANE STUDENTS.—The Brisbane "Courier" of Wednesday, in its editorial comment on the refusal of the Universities of Sydney and Melbourne to grant to students at Brisbane facilities for degree examinations, writes:—"The declinature just made by Sydney and Melbourne to the Brisbane requests is made in the presumed interests, if not of learning, at least of the Universities themselves. But is it in their interests? Would not their 'position and repute' stand higher if they looked outside traditional limitations to the requirements of the country at large, to the encouragement of learning throughout Australia, and of learning on the same high standard as is set up within their walls? The requests preferred from Brisbane first to Sydney and then to Melbourne gave these Universities an opportunity of making themselves greater to all time. They have thrown away—Sydney especially as the locally nearer has thrown away—a splendid opportunity of broadening their foundations. Is it too late yet to consider that a different answer to the Brisbane request might raise Sydney to the place of a National University, and honour her to bestow on Queensland what she has already bestowed on the mother colony?"

A combined excursion to the Hawkesbury River by rail, connecting with the steamer General Gordon, will take place to-morrow. Trains leave Sydney at 9 a.m. and Milson's Point at 8.55 a.m. The river trip will occupy about five hours.

The steamer Newcastle will leave Market-street at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon for the Hawkesbury.

There was a large audience at the School of Arts Debating Club last night, the president (Dr. P. E. Muskett) being in the chair. During the course of the proceedings the president announced that over 300 tickets had been sent out, and that all arrangements had been satisfactorily completed in connection with Sir Joseph Abbott's lecture on "The Principles and Practice of Debate," which would be given on Monday evening next. The Hon. Edmund Barton, M.L.C., had intimated his desire to be present. Mr. H. Willis opened the discussion of the question,—"That a member of a State Parliament should be incapable of sitting in either House of the Commonwealth Parliament." He was followed by Messrs. Walden Croft, Paul Ferris, Hendry, Willson, O'Reilly, Melville, Feeney, Vider, Miss Golding, and Mr. Bright. The motion was carried by a large majority.

A meeting of the Sydney and Suburban Early Closing Association was held at the Temperance Hall last night. The secretary in his report stated that over 60 clergymen of different denominations had delivered sermons during August and September upon the question of late shopping.

We have been requested to call attention to the advertisement in another column regarding the garden fete to be held on Saturday, 9th instant, at the residence of Sir Arthur Renwick, at Abbotsford, in aid of the Bush Missionary Society.

On September 25, at Otford Hall, Otford, Illawarra Line, Mr. A. G. Gilchrist, of the Public School, Otford, was presented with a beautifully illuminated address, accompanied by a gold pendant suitably inscribed. The presentation was made by Mr. J. S. Hawthorne, M.L.A., who referred to the many good qualities of the recipient, and commended the residents of Otford for standing by their teacher in his efforts to carry out his arduous duties.

The Hon. J. Garrard, Minister for Education, will at the Town Hall, to-morrow morning at 10.30, present the prizes won at the late sports meeting of the Public Schools' Athletic Association. The winner of the Parkes Bursary (Scrutton, of Leichhardt Superior Public School) will also receive his prize.

The eighth annual juvenile industrial exhibition in connection with the Rookwood Congregational Church Juvenile Association was opened in the school church, Rookwood, on Wednesday, the Rev. J. T. Pepper presiding at the opening, the Rev. E. T. Dunstan performing the ceremony.

The Baulkham Hills Vigilance Committee has decided to agitate for a train service to Dural, via Parramatta.

The Pennant Hills Progress Association has decided to request its member to use his influence with the Water and Sewerage Board to have a water-trough erected at Pennant Hills for the use of the travelling public.

Mr. W. E. Smith publishes an official report of proceedings at the conference of Australasian Chambers of Commerce, held at Sydney in May last. It is an excellently printed and bound volume of 272 pages, and both as a record of a useful gathering and as a repertory of the opinions of leading commercial men on important topics it is likely to be valued.

As a result of representations made to the Department of Works by Mr. George Howarth, M.L.A., the Minister has intimated his willingness to give £2 to every £1, in money or labour, contributed by the residents of St. Ives towards the formation and repair of Horace and Stanley streets, the Government contribution to be limited to £40.

The feature of the September number of Cassell's "Magazine of Art" is the frontispiece, a photogravure of the late Frederick Walker's fine painting, "The Harbour of Refuge," a picture in which the poignancy of the contrast between youth and age is relieved by the poetic imagination of the composition. There are articles on the royal collections in Boulle (or what used to be called buhl work), and on the new National Gallery built by Mr. Tate. "Little Folks" for September has as usual many attractions for children.

The "Cosmos" magazine for September contains a story by Mr. Bone, "Ali's Pearl," an episode of pearl-diving, and other tales, together with a poem by Maxwell Keely and an essay by "M."

There is now on view at the office (No. 9 Hunter-street) of Mr. James S. Bray, the well-known Australian naturalist, a life-size crayon drawing of the diamond snake of New South Wales. Mr. Bray has drawn the reptile with great minuteness and fidelity to nature. Photographs of the same subject are issued, with a useful descriptive note illustrating the difference between the diamond snake and the venomous species.

A successful concert, both from a financial and musical point of view, was held in St. James's Hall, Phillip-street, last evening for the purpose of raising funds for St. John's School, Darlinghurst. Canon A. W. Pain presided, and contributions to the entertainment were made by Misses Clara Newton, Wilson, Littlejohn, and Messrs. Lynch, Hole, E. Brown, Kendall, N. West, and R. S. Littlejohn.

The Bishop of Bathurst concluded on Wednesday evening the first series of confirmations he has been holding in this diocese by request of the commissary at St. Matthias', Paddington, when 37 candidates were presented for confirmation by the Rev. J. Gillett.

The fancy fair in aid of the funds of the Central Methodist Mission was continued at the Centenary Hall yesterday. Among the novel features of the fair were a hat-trimming contest by gentlemen and a nail-driving contest by ladies.

An entertainment was given at the Ashfield Hall on Wednesday evening last. The first part consisted of recitations and songs by the Misses Stella Chapman, M'Burney, and Mr. George Weatherill. The programme concluded with a sketch, "Meg's Diversion," in which the Misses Lillie, Stella, and Fleda Chapman, Messrs. Gallagher, Landon, Glassop, Kelvin, and Woods, played the characters. Miss Kate Manning was accompanist.

The Salvation Army gave a limelight and exhibition of the Cinematograph at the Petersham Town Hall last night. There was a good attendance.

On Wednesday a meeting of sympathisers with the movement for Christianising the Jews was held in the Y.M.C. Association Hall, for the purpose of forming a prayer union for Israel. The Rev. J. G. Southby presided and there was a fair attendance. Mr. E. P. Field who had initiated the matter said that before leaving for England he had called the meeting to form this movement, which was to be affiliated with the Prayer Union for Israel in the old country, and he wished to hand over to them a Hebrew New Testament and other books and papers in his possession. The objects of the prayer union were to meet monthly for prayer and conference on Jewish matters. A number of members were enrolled, and Mrs. Watt, of North Shore, was elected hon. secretary.

It is announced that a bazaar will to-day be held at the Presbyterian Ladies' College, Croydon, in aid of the organ fund.

The band of the New South Wales Artillery Regiment will perform in Hyde Park this (Friday) afternoon, under the direction of the brigade bandmaster, W. F. Hutchinson, commencing at 3 p.m.

CIRCUIT COURTS.

DUBBO, Thursday.

At the Circuit Court to-day the Chief Justice, in sentencing Larry, an aboriginal, to penal servitude for life for manslaughter, said the jury would have acted rightly in returning a verdict of wilful murder on the evidence adduced. James Cosgrove (not John as wired yesterday) was sentenced to 12 months for killing a bullock. Sydney Harpur was found guilty of wounding Elizabeth Enright at Nyngan on August 30, with intent to inflict grievous bodily harm. Mr. R. Booth defended. James M'Kenzie, a coloured man, was found guilty of assaulting and robbing John Fitzsimmons at Dubbo on August 8. The civil causes were postponed till Saturday.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

The Circuit Court was continued to-day. In the case of Wm. Symington, charged with assaulting Michael M'Keon at Manilla, and occasioning actual bodily harm, the jury, after being locked up all night, failed to agree, and the accused was remanded on his former bail to the next Tamworth Circuit Court. Walter Symington was acquitted of aiding and abetting his brother in the assault. Jimmy Ching was found not guilty of maliciously wounding Thomas Howe by striking him with a hammer. Marmaduke Carmichael, a well-known local stock-dealer and grazier, was charged with stealing a bullock the property of George Muggleton. According to the evidence a beast was missed by the prosecutor 18 months ago, and was found in a paddock rented by Carmichael, with the latter's brand and earmark upon it, Muggleston's Earmark being defaced. The prisoner on being asked about the beast at once disclaimed all knowledge of it, and stated that someone must have branded it and turned it into his paddock to injure him. Mr. R. H. Levien conducted the defence. The jury were considering their verdict when our report closed.

PUBLIC WORKS SECTIONAL COMMITTEE.

RAILWAY EXTENSION TO HILLSTON.

HILLSTON, Thursday.

At the Court-house this morning the Public Works Sectional Committee resumed their further inquiry into the proposed extension of the railway from Condobolin to Euabalong, or an alternative route via Wyalong to Hillston. A very large number of witnesses were examined, all testifying to the splendid agricultural resources of the district, and their belief that if the Government gave even a definite promise of a railway to Hillston the vast area of country now open for selection in this district would be immediately taken up. Evidence was given showing that dairying could be successfully combined with agriculture, and that the fruit and wine industry could be profitably carried on, were easy and inexpensive means afforded for the transit of produce to market provided. Mr. A. L. P. Cameron, of Murrumbong, 60 miles west of Hillston, and a resident of 24 years in the Western Division, stated that a railway to Hillston would enable graziers in time of drought to remove their stock to the grass country, thus saving enormous losses, as was the case in the year 1888 and in a lesser degree since then. At the conclusion of the inquiry this evening the chairman (Mr. Hassall) stated, in thanking the witnesses for the evidence placed before the committee, that Hillston was entitled to railway communication, and that so far as the committee had been able to form an opinion upon the evidence given upon the proposed extension from Condobolin to Euabalong, if that remained the terminus any length of time the construction of it would be a waste of public money. He wished prosperity to the district of Hillston and felt sure the claims of this district would be carefully considered. He added that the committee's support was assured for a railway to Hillston. The committee proceed to Moniagap en route to Wyalong to-morrow morning, accompanied by a number of gentlemen of the Farmers' Association.

CHRISTENING A NEW BRIDGE.

MR. YOUNG AT PICTON.

PICTON, Thursday.

A new bridge just completed across the Stone Quarry Creek, giving shorter access from Upper Picton to the railway station, was officially opened to-day by the Minister for Works (Mr. J. H. Young). Mr. Bull, the present member for this electorate, Mr. Kidd, the late member, and other guests were met at the railway station, and driven round the upper and lower towns. Mr. Young then formally opened the bridge by cutting a ribbon across it, and christening it Victoria Bridge, at the same time breaking a bottle of champagne. About 70 persons then sat down at a banquet on the bridge. The Mayor (Mr. J. W. M'Manigan) presided. The toasts drunk were "The Queen," "Ministry, coupled with the name of the Minister for Works," "The Parliament," "Mr. Bull, member for the electorate," "The Contractor and Inspector of Works," "The Visitors, coupled with the name of Mr. Kidd," and "The Press." Mr. Young paid high compliments to the contractor, Mr. Charles Foord, for the efficient manner in which he had always carried out his work, and the way he always treated his workmen. The bridge cost nearly £3700, is 270ft. long by 15ft. wide, and is one of the highest bridges in the colony, being 92ft. high.

EIGHT-HOURS DEMONSTRATION.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Splendid weather prevailed to-day for the annual Eight-hours Demonstration. All classes observed the holiday, including business people and the mines, only the most necessary surface work being done on the latter. The procession of labour bodies and trades this morning drew together immense crowds of sightseers. The men in the procession mustered strongly. Among those who walked in the procession were Mr. M'Gregor, M.L.C., Messrs. Brand and Davies, of Adelaide, and Messrs. Cann, Ferguson, and Thomas, Ms.L.A. for this district. After the procession about 8000 people took train to M'Culloch Park, where sports were held. The crowd was most orderly, and everything passed off satisfactorily. A concert and ball were held to-night.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

The show to-day was well attended, about 3000 being present. The weather was fine and hot. The principal winners in the horse section were:—

Blood stallion: Mentor. Blood mare: Inheritance. Brood mare: Escapade. Draught stallion: M'Iter's Sutor Johnny the II., 1; Young's St. Andrew, 2. There was a good display of harness horses and hacks. Miss Pearse received the ladies' prize for the best rider. Jumpers were not so good as usual. Mr. Warby's Gilbert won the maiden jumper, and Mr. Culley's Melba the hunters' prize.

TO-DAY.

Highland Society of New South Wales: Burns Club Small Hall, Y.M.C.A. Buildings, 8 p.m.

Garden Fete and Charity Fair: Good Samaritan Industrial School, Manly, 2 to 10 p.m.

Oddfellows' Hall, Wilson-street, Newtown: Vocal and Instrumental Concert, 8 p.m.

Mosman Public School: Bazaar, 3 till 5.30 and 7 till 10 p.m.

Gipsy Camp and Promenade Concert, Toxteth Park, Glebe Point, in aid of Consumptive Home, 8 p.m.

Sydney Philharmonic Society: Extra Practice for Chorus only, Temperance Hall, 8 p.m.

Annual General Meeting of the Victoria Park Bowling and Lawn Tennis Club, the Pavilion, 7.30 p.m.

Fancy Fair and Exhibition, Centenary Hall, in Aid Central Methodist Mission, 3 to 6, 7 to 10.

Fort-street Old Boys' Union: Annual Meeting, Fort-street School, 8 p.m.

Glebe Branch of the National Protection Union: Annual General Meeting, Glebe Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Thistle Club of New South Wales: Social, Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-street, 8 p.m.

Falkner Gold-mining Company: Meeting, Equitable Hall, George-street, 1.15 p.m.

Society of Artists' Spring Exhibition: Vickery's-chambers, 76 Pitt-street, 10 a.m. till 5.30 p.m.

Exhibition Building, Prince Alfred Park: Professor Norton B. Smith's Educated Horses, 8 p.m.

Art Society of N.S.W.: Annual Exhibition of Pictures, 70 Pitt-street, 10 to 5.

Lyceum Theatre: "At Duty's Call," 8 p.m.

Cyclorama, opposite Redfern Railway Station: Open 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m.

Polytechnic, 89 King-street: Open all day.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "A French Maid," 7.45 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "In the Ranks," 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Variety Entertainment, 8 p.m.

Opera House: "East Lynne," 8 p.m.

Palace Theatre: "A Bunch of Keys," 8 p.m.

IN PARLIAMENT.

Thursday being private members day in the Legislative Council, the House, after postponing the second reading of the Public Instruction Act Amendment Bill for a week, and the Sunday Trading Regulation Bill for three weeks, proceeded to consider in committee the provisions of Dr. Bowker's Medical Bill. The measure was practically taken charge of by Sir Arthur Renwick, who carried a number of amendments in order to make the bill more acceptable to the medical profession and beneficial to the public generally. The bill got through committee in its improved form without any discussion upon the original clauses or the amendments, and the third reading was fixed for Tuesday next. The next order of the day was the Law Practitioners Bill. This is a private measure, and on a previous occasion the Attorney-General, merely as a matter of courtesy, had moved the first reading of the bill, but as he did not feel bound to move the second reading of the measure, and the member in charge was absent, it lapsed. Dr. Garran then moved the second reading of the Moree to Inverell Railway Bill. He pointed out the advantages of the line, and said that it could be constructed at a comparatively small cost, and would probably pay in a few years. Messrs. Cox and Trickett also spoke upon the bill, and on the motion of Mr Humphery the debate was adjourned till Tuesday next.

It seems that the privilege that every free-born man in English-speaking communities now enjoys to get intoxicated whensoever he wills is one that the world—the British world—"will not willingly let die." This seemed to be evidenced when the Liquor Traffic Local Option Bill came up. It came before the House in the shape of a resolution to consider in committee "the expediency of bringing in a bill to regulate and prohibit, in accordance with polls taken in certain areas, the sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors, and the granting and renewing of licenses for the sale of such liquors within those areas; to amend the law relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, and the granting and renewing of licenses for the same," &c. This was a resumed debate from the last division of the session, and Mr. Copeland had moved then to strike out the words "and prohibit." A division was at once taken on this, and the words were at once struck out, showing clearly that there is no party in the Assembly on the side of the extreme temperance section. The next amendment struck at the whole principle of the motion, in fact, at the local option idea. The motion set forth that the regulation of the liquor traffic was to be ascertained in accordance with polls taken "in certain areas." The amendment was to have the regulation decided by the colony voting as one electorate, voting, in fact, on the general broad principle of the desirableness of controlling the liquor traffic and the system thereof; but not placing it in the hands of local, and, possibly, fanatical majorities, to dictate to the minority as to where and how (and how much) it shall drink—if it is to drink at all. It seems rather obvious, whatever the merits of the proposal may be, that it destroys the idea of local option, since it does not seem to provide any machinery after the general principle has been affirmed for applying that principle to localities: in fact, leaves the teetotaller and his propaganda not a whit "forarder." It merely amounts to the taking of a general referendum on the question of regulating the drink traffic or leaving it as it is. It was objected to this that the voters at Wilcannia might have the power to control and suppress the thirsty proclivities of the toilers of Woolloomooloo; but, of course, this objection—if it is one—applies to every stage of representative government. The people of the cities can insist on the dwellers in the country living under a freetrade policy, although they may crave for a quite opposite fiscal faith; and the other way about. It is one of the drawbacks of an otherwise perfect system—a spot on the sun, so to speak.

As a matter of fact, it is very doubtful whether the amendment was proposed with any other purpose than to render nugatory the whole idea of the resolution. Mr. Watson, the mover, did not deny the soft impeachment when this was suggested. A candid member said that he would vote for the amendment since it seemed the best way of killing the bill. The amendment was controverted because of its illogicality. This, it was argued, was essentially a matter for localities to decide upon. Why should the people of Mount Kosciusko, who are perpetually on the ice, be entitled to say that the people of the hot districts, who are chronically on something else, should not have a drink when they want it? On the other hand, it was urged that it was just as obnoxious to give the pious majority on one side of George-street the power to stop the unregenerate minority on the other side from quenching its original sin as it was to put the same weapon in the hands of an indiscriminate majority gathered from every electorate in the colony. Incidentally the whole question of whether one man or even two men should "regulate" another man in regard to his drinking habits was discussed, and the debate took some wide sweeps. It was pleasantly suggested that the whole cry for local option was so much humbug, that it had been raised for political purposes, that no great section of the voters really cared two straws about the matter, and that politicians only grew warm about it at election time, when the votes of a few clamorous sections were to be bagged. A direct and sharp vote of the people would decide whether any regulation of the liquor traffic was necessary. But, of course, the amendment was an absurdity as it stood; and this was pointed out by members, who were, nevertheless, in favour of having it put to the general vote of the electors as to whether the local option principle should come into action or not. But how a referendum can "regulate" the drink traffic is what they could not see; nor, perhaps, can anyone else. On a division the amendment was rejected by a considerable majority.

The great compensation aspect of local option was brought up next. Mr Copeland, was responsible for an amendment to provide for compensation to the dispossessed publican. He asked the Minister to consent to the proviso as a matter of course, for he impressed upon him that no British community would ever consent to a "radical injustice" being done to one section of the trading classes. The hotel-keepers had invested capital, and fulfilled all the provisions that the law made necessary—the building of so many rooms in their hotels, &c. It was not necessary just then to define the kind of compensation to be given, whether in money or kind. That could be done later, when the bill came in; but unless the principle were recognised now it would be impossible to have it in the bill later on. Personally, his idea was that the licensing fees got from the publicans who were allowed to remain should be devoted towards a sort of sinking fund to compensate those who were abolished. The British and Canadian Parliaments in considering this matter had both recognised that there must be some cost of compensation; in England the kind of compensation is left open; in Canada it seemed to be definitely agreed that there should be a money solatium. An amendment on Mr. Copeland's amendment sought to bring the kind of compensation to be paid to the publican to clear decision. This was the express object of the author, Mr. Ashton. He moved to substitute for Mr. Copeland's words the words "equitable time notice." It was admitted, he thought, both by teetotallers and opponents, that to give money compensation was to make any local option law a farce. This suggestion threw Mr. Copeland into a volcanic state. It was robbery, it was burglary, perhaps assault and robbery and garroting; it was telling a man that he should not be hanged to-day, but in three years' time; it was just the sort of argument that one would expect from a man who held single-tax views, views which Mr. Copeland understands to mean the confiscation of land from those who have it for the benefit of those who have none. There was considerable opposition to the amendment. It was pointed out that many people had embarked the whole of their capital, under the provisions of the law, to build highly improved hotels, and what an injustice it would be to rudely dispossess these people, or even to give them three years' notice to leave. The Premier dwelt upon this aspect, and proceeded to put the temperance question as clearly as possible. In times gone by the cold-water people had insisted that the drink traffic was a sore that should be swept away at once, that it was against religion and justice. Now they seemed to have taken a more reasonable attitude, and were inclined to admit that compensation of some sort there should be. And the House on several occasions had affirmed the principle of compensation. But the kind of compensation was the crux of the matter. Mr. Reid does not think his colleague's (Mr. Cook's) idea of three years' time notice is feasible, any more than Mr. Ashton's is possible. Then he went on to give a resume of past legislation in this direction; and he showed what a strong case the publican has for reasonable treatment. He had been expressly guaranteed fixity of tenure so long as he fulfilled the conditions of the law, and Parliament could not now go back on itself and deprive a class of the protection it had explicitly given to it.

Mr. Reid, of course, has always been a stanch opponent of most of what is broadly known as the teetotal platform; but since the committee had struck out all mention of prohibition he was inclined to regard the whole question in a more conciliatory spirit. And he admits, with most people, that the liquor trade stands badly in need of regulation. The bill of 1881 was practically a fraud on the people who had promoted it, for it made the interest of the publican and the local optionist identical, since it enabled the publican to keep out all competitors, without enabling any outside authority to control him. As for compensation, he was opposed as much as anyone to cash compensation; and the business of the House now was to decide in a business-like spirit the proper form of compensation to be awarded. And for this reason he was inclined to support the motion of Mr. Copeland.

Although earlier in the debate the Chairman had ruled out of order a discursive speech on the general ethics of local option, this did not preclude very general speeches afterwards. The whole dreary business was aired de novo. The arts and wiles of the brewer were animadverted on—how he put some poor dummy into a city hotel, how he forced his creature to sell certain liquors to a long-suffering public, how many hotels were drinking dens and ought at once to be suppressed. But Mr. Ashton's amendment is generally condemned. It was acutely pointed out that if the local option theory with time compensation, as proposed by Mr. Cook, came into force it would be in the power of the brewer who farmed hotels in certain districts to close up all but one, and thus secure a glorious monopoly for himself. Then the whole bill was denounced as a farce. It is evident that the House will insist on an equitable scheme of compensation. Finally Mr. Ashton's amendment was negatived by 50 votes to 30, and Mr. Copeland's amendment was carried by 49 votes to 25. The amended resolution was agreed to by the committee, and the House rose at eight minutes past midnight.

VICTORIA.

THE THEATRICAL SLANDER ACTION.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The theatrical slander action, Herbert Terry versus Frank Thornton, was settled out of court. The defendant paid the plaintiff £150, and withdrew his counter claim for £54 in respect of certain law costs, and sent the plaintiff a letter in which the defendant states:—"I am glad to assure you I now exonerate you of any charge which you allege I made against you of perjury, misstatement, or untruthfulness, and withdraw absolutely my plea of justification."

APPEAL UNDER THE FACTORIES ACT.

In the District Court to-day Mr. Nicholson, P.M., dismissed the appeal of Charles Robert Smith, registry office keeper, against the refusal of the Chief Inspector of Factories to register him under the Registry Office Act of 1897. The inspector's refusal was based on the ground that Smith had told applicants for work that they must be prepared to swear they were in receipt of a minimum wage.

VICTORIAN RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Victorian Rifle Association has summoned a meeting of members to consider its financial position. The circular states, "The Government grant this year is again £525, an amount utterly inadequate to carry on the business of the association in a satisfactory manner. Our estimated receipts for the year, including the above £525, are £800, and the expenditure will be £722, leaving a balance of £78 with which to carry out our annual matches. Owing to the reduced subsidy the last three years the council have had to exercise most rigid economy in the management of the ranges, but this economy cannot be perpetuated, for the time has arrived when a considerable amount must be expended to ensure immunity from accident. With the limited resources at our command, it will be seen that we are unable to arrange a satisfactory programme for our annual matches."

THE "MOVE-ON" BYLAW.

Mr. Herbert Godfrey, a well-known barrister, was charged to-day at the District Court with having refused to obey an order to "move on" under the bylaw, and was fined £2 with 21s costs.

ANTI-GAMBLING.

At Collingwood Police Court to-day Edward Tracey was charged with having assisted to conduct a common gaming-house, and was fined £30, with 5 guineas costs, or six months.

PRINCE LYELL COMPANY.

A special meeting of shareholders in the Prince Lyell Company (Tasmania) was held to-day to consider a proposal from a London syndicate for the acquisition of the property. Mr. G. A. Lawson, legal manager, said that the offer from his agent in London was to form a company with not more than 600,000 shares, of which 50,000 paid up to £1 should go to the Prince Lyell shareholders. It was proposed to amalgamate the Prince Lyell, Crown Lyell, Queen, and two minor claims. The Crown Lyell shareholders were to receive 62,500 paid up shares, and the Queen shareholders 50,000 shares, making in all 162,500 shares. After a short discussion it was unanimously agreed to empower the directors to place the Prince Lyell property under offer on the terms stated, the transaction to be concluded not later than the end of November.

SHIPMENT OF HORSES FOR INDIA.

For some days past the shippers of horses for India have been busy at Port Melbourne, where a small fleet of the British-India line of steamers has been filling up with varied equine freight. The Fazilka, the Fultala, and the Orida have completed their loading, and are in readiness to-night to start on the voyage. The horses are all very comfortably housed on deck.

AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTS.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

During the Assembly sitting this afternoon Mr. Kingston reappeared. His colleague for West Adelaide, who happened to be in possession of the chair, formally welcomed him, and a cordial cheer resounded from all sides. The debate on the Closer Settlement Bill was continued for three hours. The labour party opposed, though the Government had conceded, the perpetual leasing principle, and suggested, as an alternative to meet the demand for means of settlement, the resumption and reclamation of south-eastern land. Reclaiming would give work to the unemployed. Sir John Downer supported the bill with qualifications. The debate was further adjourned. The Commissioner of Works moved the second reading of the Angaston Railway Bill, a line connecting with the northern system, to drain a long-established and permanent payable fruit and wine district. The debate was adjourned, and the House rose shortly before 6.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

In the Assembly to-day Sir Horace Tozer, replying to Mr. Browne, said that he was not aware that the Japanese had arrived at Thursday Island without passports, but 50 had arrived with passports. Mr. Turley's motion, affirming the desirableness of placing an eight-hours day and minimum wages clauses in Government contracts, was negatived. Mr. Stephens's motion that members of the Royal commissions should receive nothing but their actual expenses was also negatived by 26 to 20 votes. Mr. Battersby tendered an apology for his conduct on the previous evening, which was accepted. The Land Bill was further considered in committee. The Government refused to accept an amendment prohibiting lawyers from accepting positions on land boards, which was negatived by 28 to 18. Progress was reported, and the House rose at 10.40.

SUDDEN DEATH AT A CONCERT.

DAPTO, Thursday.

The death of Mr. Andrew Blanchard occurred in a most extraordinary manner. He had just concluded at a concert his favourite song, "Their Heads Nestled Closer Together." The audience believed Mr. Blanchard was acting when he suddenly fell from the stage to the floor of the hall. Consternation prevailed when it was recognised that no artifice had been resorted to. Drs. Curgenven, Wade, and Bateman were in attendance, and they agreed that death was instantaneous from hemorrhage of the brain. An inquest was held, and a verdict was returned in accordance with the medical testimony.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE EASTERN SOUDAN.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Reports have been received in Rome to the effect that the native inhabitants of Kassala, in the Eastern Soudan, are willing to re-enlist a force to serve under an Anglo-Egyptian garrison.

WEST AFRICA.

FRANCO-GERMAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

The German Colonial party denounces the settlement arrived at between France and Germany with regard to the hinterland of Dahomey and Togoland, West Africa, as a severe defeat.

THE GERMANS IN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Major Leutisdin, a German officer, is visiting Europe to arrange for the construction of a harbour at the mouth of the Swakap River, in German South-west Africa, and the building of a railway to Windhoek, with the view of making the Germans independent of Walfisch Bay, the British territory.

SOCIALISTS IN GERMANY.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Speaking at a socialist congress at Hamburg yesterday Herr Bebel, the leader of the socialist party in the Reichstag, said that the socialists expected at the next elections to poll 2,000,000 votes, and to gain 15 seats.

THE CUBAN REBELLION.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

General Weyler, the Spanish Commander-in-Chief in Cuba, has refused to resign, as demanded by Senor Sagasta, the Spanish Premier.

DEATH OF SIR JOHN GILBERT.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

The death is announced of Sir John Gilbert, R.A., the famous artist, and president of the Royal Society of Painters in Water-colours, at the age of 80.

Sir John Gilbert exhibited in 1836 his first picture, a water-colour drawing, "The Arrest of Lord Hastings by the Protector, Richard, Duke of Gloucester," in the Suffolk-street Gallery. In 1839 he first exhibited at the British Institution, and from that time had been almost constantly represented at that gallery and occasionally at the Royal Academy. As an illustrator of books, pictorial newspapers, and other weekly publications his name has for a long period been familiar. Most of the best editions of the British classics have been illustrated by him, concluding with an edition of Shakespeare, a work upon which he was occupied for many years.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. FIELDEN, M.P.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Mr. Thomas Fielden, M.P. for Lancashire, South-east (Middleton Division), died suddenly to-day while grouse-shooting.

Mr. Fielden, who was in his 43rd year, was returned for Middleton in 1886, and sat until 1892. At the general election in 1892 he was defeated by the Gladstonian candidate, Mr. G. H. Hopwood, Q.C. He was, however, re-elected in 1895. Mr. Fielden was a Conservative and Unionist.

DEATH OF MR. GOWEN EVANS.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

The death is announced of Mr. Gowen Evans, one of the proprietors of the Melbourne "Argus."

Mr. Gowen Evans came to Victoria in 1867 to represent Mr. Edward Wilson, senior proprietor of the "Argus," who was compelled, by the state of his eyes, to remain in England. Mr. Evans was a graduate of the University of Oxford, and was called to the Bar, though he did not practice. When he met Mr. Wilson he was engaged in journalism, being one of a band of contributors to the London "Spectator." Early in 1878 Mr. Edward Wilson died, and by his will Mr. Gowen Evans was appointed managing partner of the Wilson interest in the "Argus" and the "Australasian," and in this position he remained up to the time of his death.

MISS ADA CROSSLEY.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Miss Ada Crossley has appeared with great success in the oratorio of "Elijah" at the Birmingham Festival.

TRINITY COLLEGE EXHIBITION.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Miss Beatrice Newman, of Bathurst, has been awarded by Trinity College, London, a local exhibition for the violin.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

At the wool sales this evening a poor selection was offered, but prices were unchanged.

Oct. 7.

The following prices were realised:—Philip, 8¾d; Yandamer, scoured, 15½d; Wolfang, 8¼d; Hundred, 8¼d; Barcaldine, 7¾d; Coreena, 7½d.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINES.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Mr. E. Burney Young, superintendent of the South Australian Government depot in London, has arranged with a number of leading firms at Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, and Kurrachee to sell the depot wines in those cities.

AUSTRALIAN FRUIT.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

The South Australian oranges from the Government depot brought by the steamer Bungaree have been selling in Liverpool at from 11s to 14s per case. Other lots sold at from 10s 6d to 12s 3d per case.

A RECORD.
Fifteen Miles.—This is the length of Ogden's Guinea Gold Cigarettes manufactured daily. The fashionable Smoke.—Advt.

INDIAN FRONTIER WAR.

THE TRIBESMEN STILL RESISTING THE BRITISH.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Reports from Peshawur state that the Orakzais and the Afridis continue to resist the British, and threaten to excommunicate the tribes making separate terms.

SITUATION IN GREECE.

THE FINANCIAL CONTROL.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

The Ambassadors in Constantinople have informed M. Zaimis, the new Greek Premier, that the Powers intend to apply the financial control under conditions least likely to affect the susceptibility of the country.

LABOUR TROUBLES IN ENGLAND.

THE LONDON SHIPBUILDERS AND ENGINEERS.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

The employers of the London shipbuilders and engineers who had decided to give the eight-hours system a trial have reverted to nine hours as a day's labour for their workmen. They notify that the eight-hours system had proved most unsatisfactory, and declare that the unions made further encroachments and forced the employers to form an association in order to protect their trade.

The engineering employers, in a letter to the workmen's council, state that a meeting between the representatives of the masters and the men at the present juncture was likely to be misconstrued. The employers further state that they cannot discuss the crisis with the unions.

FANATICAL RISING IN BRAZIL.

THE REBEL LEADER CAPTURED.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

The Brazilian troops, after several days' fighting, have captured Canados, the stronghold of Conseheiro, the Portuguese fanatic who attempted to raise an armed rebellion against the Government.

The losses on both sides were heavy. Conseheiro has been imprisoned.

THE FAST ATLANTIC SERVICE.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Messrs. Petersen, Tate, and Co., of Newcastle-on-Tyne, who have entered into a contract with the Canadian Government for the establishment of a fast Atlantic service between Canada and Britain, have deposited £10,000 as a guarantee for the carrying out of the contract.

BUSH FIRES IN CANADA.

VILLAGES DESTROYED.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Bush fires have devastated a district 20 miles long south of Ottawa, Canada. Three villages and a number of stores have been destroyed. Many of the inhabitants spent the night on the river in order to escape from the flames.

Two hundred persons have been rendered homeless.

THE LICENSING LAWS IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

At the meeting of the National Temperance Convention yesterday a resolution was carried demanding the introduction into Parliament of a measure for preventing the issue of new licenses or the removal of existing ones.

GRAND SEFTON STEEPLECHASE.

DAIMIO SCRATCHED.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Mr. O. Gibson's br g Daimio, by Swiveller from Butterfly II., who had been allotted 12st 3lb in the Grand Sefton Steeplechase, has been scratched for that event.

SILVER.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 2d per ounce standard, a rise of ⅛d since last quotation.

THE RING.

CORBETT CLAIMS THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Fitzsimmons having definitely retired from the ring, James Corbett, the ex-champion, claims the championship.

ARRIVAL OF THE GERMAN MAIL STEAMER AT ALBANY.

ALBANY, Thursday.

The North German Lloyd Company's Prinz-Regent Luitpold, H. Walter commander, arrived from Bremen at 3 p.m. Passengers:—

For Albany: Mr. Meadly, Mrs. Patton, Mr. Diamond.

For Adelaide: Mr. and Mrs. Basse, Mr. Doeffler, Mr. Mattil, Madame Basse.

For Melbourne: Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. M'Conachie and family, Mr. Wenzel, Mr. Kottmann, Mr Schaper, Mr. Gember.

For Sydney: Mr. Gerritsen, Mr. Hennig, Mr. Weber and family, Mr. Hamilton, Mrs. Isles and child, Consul-General Kempermann, Major Hamilton, Lieutenant Sankey, Mrs. Sankey, and 286 for all ports in other classes. She sails for Adelaide to-morrow morning.

MEETING OF SELECTORS.

NYNGAN, Thursday.

At a meeting of the Selectors' Association held yesterday it was resolved to ask the Minister for Lands to throw open land available for settlement at different centres on one day with the object of reducing the number of applicants at each office and saving the expenses of travelling. It was said that the present system had created a new class of blackmailers to the detriment of bona-fide applicants. The conclusions arrived at by Mr. Houston in his report with regard to West Bogan were controverted. It was further considered that the land should be thrown open at once, and that the course proposed for burning off dead scrub would not be practicable.

A BLIND PASSAGE is your vermiform appendix. An oat husk getting in there will kill you. EAT QUAKER OATS. Free from husks, sweet, creamy. Advt.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A deputation of persons interested in the Johnstone River waited upon the Acting Treasurer this morning. Mr. Cowley explained that the deputation desired to draw attention to the dredging at Johnstone River and the establishment of railway communication between the river lands and Mourilyan by the extension of the present line from the harbour to the plantation, a further 13 miles, costing £30,000, the Government to grant a loan to the divisional board. Mr. Philp replied that he would consider the matter of the loan and the dredge.

The traffic earnings of the railways for the month of September show a decrease of £11,454.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Queensland Exhibition Company it was to-day decided to wind up the company in liquidation. The chairman stated that no balance-sheet was ready, and also that the directors considered it inadvisable to publish the affairs of the company whilst certain matters were pending. Mr. Welsby was appointed liquidator.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The rifle matches were continued to-day. With the exception of a difficult mirage the conditions were favourable. The firing for the smokeless powder contest began in the afternoon, and the ammunition used was that of the Colonial Ammunition Company of Victoria, who provided the prize money. The match stands partly completed. In the day's shooting for all-comers Gatty (Tasmania), Todd (Victoria), and Webster (Victoria) each obtained £1 with scores of 31, 30, and 29 respectively. In the Simpson trophy, eligible for South Australians only, Corporal Harley succeeded in putting up the possible at 500 yards.

Albert Nixon was charged at the Criminal Court to-day with having feloniously stabbed, with intent to kill and murder, Harrold Mayo Addison on August 24, and with having wounded with the same intent Meta Louisa Nixon, his wife. The court was crowded. After Mrs. Nixon and Addison had given their evidence and had been cross-examined at considerable length the Court adjourned until Friday.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ALBANY, Thursday.

A Frenchman named Henri Gilbert, who is engaged in a pedestrian tour round the world, broke down on the trip from Albany to Esperance. After 14 days' wandering about in the bush, suffering from hunger and exposure, he reached Mr. Andrew Morris's station at Saltwater River, in a state of collapse. He desires to return to Albany for medical treatment. The French Consul at Perth has been communicated with.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Thursday.

The Treasurer told a deputation this morning that he could not comply with a request not to re-impose the income tax, but promised a readjustment at lower rates. He said he would sooner give up office than sanction any measure which would mean taxing land and dividends and letting all other forms of wealth go free. The Attorney-General said he would support the Treasurer in fairly apportioning the taxation.

Mr. Harcourt Palmer, representing the Great Western Railway syndicate, states definitely that the line of route will be from Glenora, via Russell Falls River to the divide, south-west of Mount Field, thence crossing Gordon River bend to Rasselas Valley, thence to the divide in King William Range, as surveyed by Mr. Claude Bernard, thence via Surprise River, Linda Track, to Lyell, thence via Lake Beatrice to Mount Tyndal and Lake Dora to the mineral fields, south of Mount Read, then via Mount Dundas to a point on the East Dundas railway.

The Minister of Lands has expressed approval of the intention of the Great Western Company to re-open the reserved area to prospecting parties, and has promised best assistance of his department.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The Legislative Council has rejected a resolution moved by the Minister of Education in favour of closing Bellamy's on Sundays.

News has been received of the death in San Francisco of Mr. Charles Reid, formerly a well-known citizen of Dunedin and first general manager of the Standard Insurance Company.

LATE MINING.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MINING.

KALGOORLIE, Thursday.

The market has been dull for the last couple of days, but to-night shows signs of activity. Great Boulder No. 1 shares are anxiously inquired for. A glance at the dumps at the several shafts on the property fails to convey the impression that anything extraordinary has occurred, although the shafts near the Hainault are being carried through splendid country. The mine is in close proximity to the South Kalgurli, and is in a good position. The correct returns of the last crushing from the Golden Horseshoe at the Leviathan battery are as follow:—355 tons of stone treated for 1530oz. 5dwt. 12gr. gold. The tailings assay 2oz. 10dwt. per ton. The company is still carting oxidised ore to the Leviathan battery. The mine is looking splendid.

COOLGARDIE, Thursday.

The following are the results for September:—Menzies Crusoe Gold Claims, 232 tons, yielding 183oz.; Menzies Consolidated, 800 tons for 795oz.; Menzies Gold Reef, 120 tons, 213oz.; Sons of Gwalia, Mount Leonard, 415 tons, 435oz.; North Star, Mount Malcolm, 308 tons, 367oz. About 600oz. were brought in to-day by the escort from Norseman as the result of local crushings.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

To-day's Brisbane Exchange sale:—Jones's Caledonian, 6d.

Queensland Exchange sales:—Nos. 3 and 4 North Glanmire Tribute, 1s 5d, 1s 4d, 1s 3½d; Nos. 2 and 3 Smithfield Tribute, 4d; Jones's Caledonian, 5½d, 5¼d; Raff's Great Western, 8d, 6d, 7d, 6½d, 6d.

THE NEW INTER-OCEAN MAIL CONTRACTS.

TERMS OF THE ACCELERATED SERVICE.

The Imperial Postmaster-General having, with the authority of the Governments of the Australian colonies, entered into a new contract with the Peninsular and Oriental and the Orient Steam Navigation Companies for the conveyance of the East Indian, China, and Australian mails under a new agreement, covering a period of seven years from the commencement of 1898, the terms of the contract were yesterday laid on the table of the Legislative Assembly. The essential features of the document have already been published, but in view of the importance of the matter it may be mentioned that under the new agreement the total subsidy to be paid to the Peninsular and Oriental Company is £330,000 per annum, the proportion payable in respect of the Australian mails being assessed at £85,000 per annum, a similar subsidy being payable to the Orient Company, making a total contribution of £170,000 a year, of which the Imperial Government will pay £95,000, and the Australian Governments £75,000 per annum, apportioned amongst them on the basis of population. The sea transit rates collected from other countries and colonies making use of the service, together with any fines inflicted, are to be credited in similar proportions to the Imperial and Colonial Governments, namely, 19-34ths to the former, and 15-34ths to the latter.

The contract provides for a fortnightly service by the P. and O. Company, 686 hours being allowed for the voyage in each direction between Naples and Adelaide; also a fortnightly service by the Orient Company, to occupy 696 hours. Power is reserved to the Imperial Postmaster-General to require the vessels of either company to call at Fremantle instead of Albany, and also to substitute another Continental port for Brindisi or Naples. In the case of the P. and O. Company's vessels power is given to increase or decrease the frequency of the communication, curtailing the route as well as the periods of transit, and the subsidy may be increased or diminished accordingly.

PLOUGHING MATCHES.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

Ploughing matches, under the auspices of the P. A. and M. Society, were held yesterday on portion of the Kent Park Estate. The entries were fairly numerous, but the weather was damp, and interfered with the ploughing in the early part of the morning. It cleared off towards dinner-time. The ground for double furrows was stiff, that for single medium. The work is considered very good. There was a good attendance of farmers and townspeople, and great interest was evinced. Results:—

Champion Match, all comers, S. P. Plough, first prize £10.—Michael Donnelly, Tenterfield, 1; Timothy Healey, 2; Charles Sewell, 3. No. 2 Maiden: Arthur Herman, 1; Hugh Campbell, Tenterfield, 2; no third. Champion: Thos. Gould, 1; George Smith, 2; Harry Fakes, 3. Youths' Match, over 16: H. E. Fakes, 1; William Smith, 2. Straightest furrow: Thomas Gould. Best team of horses: Hy. Fakes. Best crown: Timothy Healey. Best finish: Timothy Healey. Best pair of plough horses: A. Herman.

NEWCASTLE.

THE WALLSEND ANNUAL SHOW.

OPENING CEREMONY.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The eleventh annual exhibition in connection with the Wallsend and Plattsburg Agricultural, Horticultural, Poultry, Pigeon, and Canary Society was opened in the Agricultural Hall, Wallsend, this afternoon. There was a very large attendance of visitors from all portions of the northern district, and the display was a highly creditable one, eclipsing all previous efforts. The number of exhibits totalled 577, divided into 19 sections, and subdivided into 240 classes. In many of the sections the competition was very keen, the high quality of display calling forth special praise from the officials and the general public. The poultry section attracted considerable attention, every class being well represented. The pigeons, canary, cut flowers, pot plants, and garden produce sections were also of an interesting nature, and the work of school pupils of the northern district formed by no means an insignificant portion of the display. The adjudicators were:—Horse section: Messrs. Blaxland, Hogan, and M'Carthy; agriculture, Mr. George Ackers; horticulture, Mr. F. Crawford; poultry, pigeons, and canaries, Mr W. C. Foster; bakery, Mr. O. G. Steel; fine arts, &c., Messrs. A. Sharp and Co., Mr. Flashman; needlework, Mesdames Henderson, Fletcher, and Winn; special writing in hall, Messrs. A. Ross and T. Abel. Included among the non-competitive exhibitors were the Sydney Soap and Candle Company, Messrs. O. Beale and Co., Messrs. Hocking and Co., and Mr. F. Witherspoon.

The opening ceremony was performed by Mr. David Watkins, M.L.A., who in the course of his remarks referred to the aid which the present Government had given to the development of agricultural pursuits. The action of the State in encouraging industry was bearing good fruit, as might be judged by the fact that in 1896 the area under wheat in New South Wales had increased by 250,000 acres over the previous year, while this year there was a further increase of 150,000 acres under cultivation. Votes of thanks to Mr. Watkins and to Mr. Ross (president of the society, who occupied the chair) concluded the opening proceedings.

The following is the list of prizes awarded in the principal sections:—

Section 4.—Garden produce—Cabbage: R. Gilmour, 1; C. Richardson, 2. Lettuce: C. Richardson, 1; J. Smart, 2. Turnips: C. Richardson, 1. Leeks: J. Smart, 1; R. Hill, 2. Parsnips: C. Richardson, 1; J. Smart, 2. Potatoes: A. Whitehead, 1; J. Smart, 2. Best collection garden produce: C. Richardson, 1.

Section 5.—Pot plants—Miscellaneous: R. Hill, 1; E. Abell, 2. Ferns: G. Gilmour, 1; E. Abell, 2. Begonias, variegated: E. Abell, 1. Begonias, tuberous rooted, in flower: E. Abell, 1. Fuschias: E. Abell, 1. Cinerarias: E. Abell, 1; R. Hill, 2. Primulas: E. Abell, 1. Pansies: A. Whitehead, 1; E. Abell, 2. Pot of musk: E. Abell, 1.

Section 6.—Cut flowers—Miscellaneous: A. Whitehead, 1; E. Abell, 2. Six Roses: James Brown, 1. Three roses: E. Abell, 1; James Brown, 2. One champion rose: James Brown, 1; G. Gilmour, 2. Six verbenas: E. Abell, 1; G. Gilmour, 2. Six phlox drummondi: E. Abell, 1; A. Whitehead, 2. Six antirrhinums: E. Abell, 1. Four gladiola: A. Whitehead, 1. Two gladiola: A. Whitehead, 1. Four dianthus: A. Whithead, 1; A. Walton, 2. Six carnations: E. Abell, 1; A. Whitehead, 2. Three pelargoniums: E. Abell, 1. Twelve pansies: A. Whitehead, 1; E. Abell, 2. Six pansies: A. Whitehead, 1; E. Hill, 2. One table bouquet: E. Abell, 1. Six buttonhole bouquets: Miss S. J. Abell, 1; Miss M. Cummings, 2. One lady's spray: A. Walton, 1; Miss Cummings, 2. Bunch wild flowers: E. Abell, 1.

Section 7.—Poultry—Brahma cock, any colour: T. R. Musgrove, 1 and 2. Brahma hen: T. R. Musgrove, 1 and 2. Cochin cock: Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, Lambton, 1 and 2. Cochin hen: Q.C.E. Poultry Yard 1 and 2. Plymouth rock cock: W. P. Lance, 1. Plymouth rock hen: W. P. Lance, 1. Lang-shan cock: Mrs. J. Hogan, 1. Langshan hen: W. H. Lathleen, 1; Mrs. J. Hogan, 2 and 3. Orpington cock: James Hillier, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 2. Orpington hen: Clyde-dale Poultry Farm, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 2. Wyandottes, cock: J. H. Thomas, 1 and 2. Wyandottes, hen: W. A. Reid, 1. Minorca cock: Frank Brock, 1; William Harrison, 2; S. Baber, 3. Minorca hen: W. Harrison, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 2; R. Wilson, 3. Leghorn cock, white: G. H. Lee, 1; W. A. Reid, 2. White leghorn hen: G. H. Lee, 1; W. A. Reid, 2. Brown leghorn cock: Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 1; Mrs. J. Burke, 2. Brown leghorn, hen: W. Gray, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 2. Andalusian hen: Mrs. J. Burke, 1. Black Spanish cock: John Cook, 1 and 2. Black Spanish hen: J. Cook, 1 and 2. British game, black red cock: Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 1; C. Proudlock, 2. Black red hen: C. Proudlock, 1; T. Proudlock, 2. Pile cock: Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 2. Pile hen: Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 1; Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 2. Any other cock: J. W. Mather, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 2. Any other colour, hen: Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 1. Australian game cock: H. Aswege, 1 and 2. Australian game hen: H. Aswege, 1 and 2. Indian game cock: Q.C.E. Poultry Yard, 1; Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 2. Indian game hen: Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 1; Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 2. Hamburgs, golden or silver spangled cock: G. House, 1; M. Heslop, 2. Hamburgs, golden or silver spangled hen: G. House, 1; M. Sheedy, 2. Golden or silver pencilled cock: Messrs. Brown and Cook, 1. Golden or silver pencilled hen: Messrs. Brown and Cook, 1. Hamburgs, black cock: Mrs. J. Burke, 1; Messrs. Brown and Cook, 2. Hamburgs, black hen: Mrs. J. Burke, 1. Polands, any colour, cock: Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 1. Polands, any colour, hen: Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 1. Any other variety cock not specified: Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 1 and 2. Ditto, hen, not specified: Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 1 and 2. Bantams, game, any colour; cock: Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 1 and 2. Bantams, game hen: Clydesdale Poultry Farm, 1 and 2. Bantams, others than game, any colour, cock: Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 1 and 2. Ditto, hen: Q.C.E. Poultry Yards, 1. Ducks, any variety, drake: J. H. Thomas, 1. Ditto, duck: J. H. Thomas, 1.

Section 8.—Pigeons—Pouters: D. Campbell, 1 and 2. Dragons, cock: D. Campbell, 1 and 2. Dragons, hen: D. Campbell, 1; T. Parkes, 2. Barbs, any colour, cock or hen: D. Campbell, 1 and 2. Antwerps or homers, cock or hen: D. Campbell, 1 and 2. Owls or turbits, cock or hen: D. Campbell, 1 and 2. Nuns or tumblers, cock or hen: J. Parkes, 1; D. Campbell, 2. Any other variety: D. Campbell, 1 and 2.

Section 9.—Canaries—Norwich, clear, yellow, or buff body, grey dark crest: T. Copewell, 1. Yorkshires, clear, yellow, or buff: T. R. Musgrave, 1 and 2.

Section 10.—Bottled Fruits—Mrs. Hopkins, 1 in all classes; Mrs. F. Abell, 2.

Section 11.—Bakery, amateurs only—Best collection: Mrs. E. Peters, 1; Miss M. Gilmour, 2. Best loaf of home-made bread: Mrs. C. Noble, 1; Mrs. J. A. Mather, 2.

Section 13.—Honey—Best 12lb. bottles: A. J. Beecham, 1 and 2. Beehive suitable for district: W. G. Hughes, 1. Sections comb honey: W. G. Hughes, 1. Italian Queen bee: J. W. Hopkins, 1.

Section 14.—Saddlery: H. W. Weiss, 1, all class s.

REMARKABLE SUICIDE OF A SEAMAN.

A PATHETIC STORY.

A seaman recently employed on the ship Hartfield, named William Brooks, committed suicide in the harbour this afternoon under circumstances of a somewhat remarkable nature. It seems that during the stay of the ship in port the deceased became enamoured of a woman in Sydney, and asked the captain of the Hartfield for his discharge in order that he might marry and settle down in New South Wales. To this request Captain Jones declined to accede. A few days later Brooks stole a coat from a shop in the city, within the view of a police officer, his object, it is surmised, being to receive a sentence of imprisonment sufficiently long to prevent him joining the vessel before proceeding on her voyage to Antofagasta. He was fined £2, in default 21 days' imprisonment, and as the fine was not forthcoming he was imprisoned. The vessel was ready for sea to-day, when the captain paid the fine out of the wages due to the deceased, and requested the police officers to conduct the seaman aboard. Brooks went quietly to the vessel, but upon meeting the first mate he informed him that he did not intend to sail. After a short conversation with some of his comrades the deceased walked to the forecastle head, went over the bows on to the back ropes, and folding his arms behind his head dropped overboard in a most determined manner, and sank without a struggle. The body has not yet been recovered, and dragging operations will be continued to-morrow.

A TEMPESTUOUS VOYAGE.

The captain of the barque Bankburn, which arrived in port from Algoa Bay to-day, reports having, on September 4, encountered heavy gales, during which the foretopmast staysail was carried away. On September 14 another tempest was experienced, on which occasion the topgallant sail was lost. Strong gales with drizzling rain prevailed until this port was reached.

MILITARY ENTERTAINMENT.

An interesting entertainment was given in the Upper Reserve to-night by the 4th Infantry Regiment Band and Naval Brigade. The night was a perfect one, and the pavilion and the lawn were illuminated by coloured and other lights. The attendance was very large, numbering fully 5000 persons, and the performance was thoroughly appreciated by the citizens. The band of the 4th Infantry Regiment, under Bandmaster Buman, discoursed an attractive programme of popular and classical selections, and during the evening several displays, including cutlass, manual, firing, bayonet, and physical drill exercises, were given by the A Company team of the 4th Infantry Regiment and the members of the Newcastle Naval Brigade. The whole of the arrangements were satisfactorily carried out under Captain Hilliard, adjutant of the regiment.

At a public meeting held in the Town Hall to-night, under the presidency of Mr. W. Arnott, it was resolved that the verdict and costs awarded against Mr. E. S. Holland, town clerk, in the recent libel action, Hannell v. Holland, should be paid by the citizens. The sum of over £30 was subscribed in the room.

The industrial exhibition and bazaar in aid of the funds of the Wickham School of Arts, which was opened yesterday, was successfully continued this afternoon and evening.

The annual picnic in connection with the Cook's Hill Public School was held to-day, and was very largely attended.

A miner named John Williams was admitted into the Newcastle Hospital to-night suffering from severe internal injuries, the result of a fall of coal at the Dudley Colliery.

The steamer Wanaka will ship 172 horses at this port, in addition to 70 at New Zealand and 80 at Townsville, for the Indian remount season.

The ship Salamis will load between five and six thousand bales of wool at Newcastle for the London sales. A gang of 40 men is now employed by the contractor.

The following have been elected office-bearers of the Wallsend Lawn Tennis Club for the ensuing term:—Patron, Mr. David Watkins, M.L.A.; president, Dr. J. B. Nash; vice-presidents, Dr. Bean, Dr. Crawley, Dr. Stapleton, Dr. Lovegrove, Messrs. M. Moran, W. W. Johnson, Byrnes, J. Barr, G. Froome, J. Estill, W. Bower, T. Abel, Rev. C. T. L. Yarrington, and the trustees of the Wallsend Park; hon. secretary, Mr. H. T. Rogers.

Efforts are being made locally to secure a number of miners for the Victorian coalfields at a hewing rate of 3s 6d per ton—7d in excess of the standard rate at Newcastle.

CEYLON GOLDEN TIPS, the finest Tea obtainable, exceptional value at 2s 3d, 1s 9d, 1s 6d, 1s 3d per lb. E. H. Harris and Co., Teamen, 21 Strand.—Advt.

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NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, October 7.

The President took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWER TO QUESTION.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, in reply to Mr. Macintosh, said that the wages of the men employed at the Western Suburbs Sewage Farm up to October 1, 1897, have been paid for from Loan Vote, 53 Victoria, No. 23, "Western suburbs sewage main scheme, £830,000" (Public Works Act, 53 Victoria, No. 15). The amount expended since January 1, 1896, to October 1, 1897, was £15,267 15s 6d.

MEDICAL BILL.

The House resolved itself into committee for further consideration of the Medical Bill.

Sir ARTHUR RENWICK said that when the hon. gentleman in charge of the bill originally drafted it he found a different state of things from that which existed at the present time. He (Sir Arthur Renwick) found also that it was absolutely necessary to make a certain number of amendments in order to preserve the rights and interests of certain persons who up to the present time had managed matters in connection with the medical profession. He referred more particularly to the Medical Board. He had prepared a number of amendments which he thought would improve the measure and at the same time prevent anything being done which might savour of injustice to those who had rendered such valuable services in the past in connection with medical matters.

Clause 1, "Establishment and duties of Medical Council;" on the motion of Sir Arthur Renwick the clause was amended by substituting 12 for 13 as the number of members of the Medical Board.

In the same clause Sir ARTHUR RENWICK moved an amendment to omit the provision fixing the mode of appointment of the Medical Council, and substituting therefor the following provision: "Subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, such council shall consist of five members to be appointed by the Governor, two members to be appointed by the Senate of the University of Sydney, and five members to be elected as hereinafter provided from among the medical practitioners registered under this Act, which council," &c.

The amendment was agreed to, and the clause as amended passed.

Clause 2, "As to members of the present Medical Board." Sir ARTHUR RENWICK moved the insertion of the following proviso in lieu of that in the clause:—"Provided that on each successive reduction of their number by resignation, death, or the provisions of this Act, the vacated office on the two first occasions shall be filled by the appointment of the members to be nominated by the Senate as aforesaid, and the subsequent vacancies by members elected by the registered practitioners under this Act, till the offices of the five elected members are filled up, as before provided. The then remaining five members shall be regarded as the members of the council nominated by the Governor, as provided in previous section."

The amendment was agreed to, and the clause as amended passed.

Clauses 3 to 12 inclusive were carried without amendment.

Clause 13, "Removal of names from register," was amended, on the motion of Sir Arthur Renwick, by omitting the words, "Or to be an habitual drunkard, or while intoxicated to have attended professionally a sick person." He thought the words in the clause, "Guilty of disgraceful conduct in any professional respect," would be quite sufficient.

The clause as amended was passed.

In clause 14, "Fee for registration," the fee for registration was fixed at £3 3s and £1 1s for any qualification subsequently registered.

Clauses 15 to 22 inclusive were passed without material amendment, and clause 23, "Conduct of future elections," was omitted, as the matter had been provided for in previous clauses.

In clause 24, "Duration of office," the following words were added at the end of the clause: "If any member shall, without leave of the council, be absent from its meetings for three consecutive calendar months his membership shall, ipso facto, become vacant."

The remaining clauses of the bill were passed without material alteration, and the House having resumed the bill was reported with amendments, and the report adopted. The third reading of the bill was made an order of the day for Tuesday next.

EQUITABLE PROCESS BILL.

A message was received from the Assembly forwarding the Equitable Process Bill for consideration.

The bill was read the first time.

LAW PRACTITIONERS BILL.

When the order of the day for the second reading of the Law Practitioners Bill was called,

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said that on a previous occasion when the bill was before the House he as a matter of courtesy formally moved the first reading, and fixed the second reading of the measure for to-night. He did not think, however, that, either as a member of the Government or as a private member of the House, he was bound to take the bill further, as the member in charge of it ought to be present to proceed with it.

As no hon. member moved the second reading, the bill lapsed.

MOREE TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL moved the second reading of the Moree to Inverell Railway Bill. He said that the bill authorised the connection of the important town of Inverell with our railway system, and it was not the first time that a project of the kind had been brought before the House, but in the previous bill the design was to connect Inverell with Glen Innes. The cost of constructing and working such a line was, however, considered to be so great that the House rejected it. Since that time a railway had been constructed to Moree, and that line, he was happy to say, was turning out well, and instead of being a sucker it had become a feeder to our national railways. The proposed line, though, strange to say, it was opposed by the sectional committee, was passed by a majority of the Public Works Committee, and it was estimated that its construction would cost under £3000 per mile. The line would open up the district for settlement, and give the people of Inverell a good market for their produce, and though for a few years there might be a small annual loss, it was expected that ultimately the line would give satisfactory results.

Mr. DANGAR said he thought, looking at the times in which they lived, that it was their duty to consider the interests of the colony as a whole more than the interests of a particular part of the country. It would give him great pleasure if he could vote for a railway to Inverell, because he thought it was perfectly entitled to a railway; but when he considered the cost to which the country was proposed to be put, and the enormous expense to which it had already been put in the construction of unprofitable railways, he felt it would be his duty to oppose the proposal. The line had only been adopted by the Public Works Committee by a small majority, and as to the other House, he attached no importance to the fact that it had been approved there, because he believed that members of the Assembly would vote to take a railway to the moon if they could, because they knew that the responsibility and risk would not rest upon their shoulders, but upon the shoulders of those who had a stake in the country. As he could not conscientiously vote for the measure he would oppose it, though personally the construction of the line would be a benefit to him. As to a line from Grafton to Glen Innes he hoped he would never live to see it, and he thought that such a recommendation could only be made by an assemblage of idiots. He did not think that the benefit which the people of Inverell would derive from communication with Moree would justify the proposed expenditure. The fact that teams conveyed goods along some of the routes traversed by railways ought to make them cautious in sanctioning the construction of railways that would not pay. It was almost impossible to expect that the people of Inverell would be able to take advantage of this railway, because the rates would be too high.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: It is proposed to have special rates.

Mr. DANGAR said he was sorry to hear it. He could not understand how the line could prove a profitable one. They had to consider other things besides the interests of the people of Inverell. The question was, Could they afford to construct that line? The interest on expenditure would amount to about £9000 a year. He estimated there would be a loss of 1¼ to 1½ per cent. But he admitted there was a possible future before that line. He would like to see developmental lines pushed into the north-western part of the colony, but he did not think the country was in a position to undertake so problematical a line as that was likely to be.

Mr. COX said he would vote for the line. The country through which it passed was of first-class soil. It was cheaper in many instances to make a railway than it was to make a road. Although they might lose £3000 a year, they might, on the other hand, effect a considerable saving by not making roads. That railway would open up a tract of magnificent country. The people in that part of the colony were entitled to some consideration.

Mr. TRICKETT said it was estimated there would be a loss of £2761 a year on that line. If ever a circuitous route had been adopted that was so in regard to that line. Most of the supporters of the railway came from one particular part of Inverell.

On the motion of Mr. HUMPHERY the debate was adjourned until Tuesday next.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 25 minutes to 7 adjourned until 4 o'clock on Tuesday next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Thursday, October 7.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in answer to Mr. F. Clarke, said the regulation allowing postmasters graded at less than £130 per annum to become unofficial had not been repealed, but he understood that the whole of the regulations were under revision by the Public Service Board.

The MINISTER FOR MINES, in answer to Mr. Waddell, who inquired whether it was true that in cases where pastoral and homestead leases were entitled to a refund of rent paid in excess of that recently fixed to be the rent from January 1 last the Minister had refused to make such refunds but had ordered that credit should be given for such in next year's payments, said that this was so in those cases where the adjustment of rental was completed but a short time prior to the date when the following year's rent became due.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, in answer to Mr. Perry, said that when practicable constables in the metropolitan police were allowed one day's leave in a month, and occasional special leave. No reasonable application for leave by country police was refused, but the duties were not so trying as in Sydney.

PAPERS.

The Postmaster-General laid on the table the contracts with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company and the Orient Steam Navigation Company respecting the Australian mail service.

ALLEGED EVASION OF THE STAMP ACT.

Mr. HAYNES asked the Premier if it was a fact that by what was an invasion of the Stamp Act a sum of about £25,000 a year was lost to the revenue. The same thing was found operating in New Zealand, and an alteration in the law had been made.

The PREMIER said he had no knowledge of the subject, but if it was one that would bring in any additional revenue the statements ought to be inquired into. He was aware that there were leakages under the Stamp Act, and if possible he would introduce an amending Act.

SERVICE OF EQUITABLE PROCESS BILL.

The MINISTER FOR JUSTICE moved,—"That the Service of Equitable Process Bill (Council bill) be read the third time."

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was returned to the Legislative Council without amendment.

THE STANDING ORDERS.

Mr. NEILD moved,—"That with a view to protect the privileges of this House, and of the members thereof, and also with a view to the proper transaction of the business of this House, Standing Order No. 161 is hereby amended by the addition of the words following, viz.:—Any decision by Mr. Speaker affecting any business under consideration, or any business sought to be introduced or transacted in this House, whether such decision be by way of assent, denial, refusal, or otherwise, is a ruling within the meaning of this standing order, and may be dissented from as herein provided."

The motion was not objected to in time when formal business was being taken.

Mr. WATSON asked whether the motion, if carried, would be referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER said that the motion, if carried, would not be referred to the Standing Orders Committee, nor would it become a standing order. The motion assumed to pass a standing order, which the House had not the power to do.

Mr. LYNE: Has not the House power to pass its own standing order?

Mr. SPEAKER said it had not, without the consent of the Governor.

Mr. WATSON: I will take your ruling.

Mr. SPEAKER: I cannot give any ruling. The matter has been taken as a formal motion, and it will have to go.

The motion was negatived on division by 35 votes to 25.

LOCAL OPTION BILL.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL moved,—"That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the expediency of bringing in the Liquor Traffic Local Option Bill."

The motion was agreed to, and the House resolved itself in committee.

The Chairman stated that the motion before the committee was,—"That it is expedient to bring in a bill to regulate and prohibit, in accordance with polls taken in certain areas, the sale and the keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors, and the granting and renewing of licenses for the sale of such liquors within those areas; to amend the law relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, and the granting and renewing of licenses for the same; and for purposes of and incidental to the aforesaid objects." Upon this Mr. Copeland had moved an amendment for the omission of the words "and prohibit." The question before the committee was Mr. Copeland's amendment.

The House divided, and the amendment, omitting the words "and prohibit," was carried by 46 votes to 22.

AYES, 46.

Willis	Carroll	Ball
Mackay	Clarke, F.	Jones, R.
Haynes	Hurley	Nicholson
Schey	Jones, Travers	Wood
Copeland	Gormly	Kelly
Rose	M'Farlane	Davis
Perry	Clarke, H.	Graham
O'Sullivan	Waddell	Wheeler
Chapman	Reid	Anderson
M'Elhone	Haynes	Phillips, S.
Price	Lee	Millen
Dacey	Gillies	Hawthorne
Lyne	Griffith	Knox
Barnes	Clark, E. M.	Morgan } Tellers.
Rose	Collins	Sleath }
Phillips, M. T.		

NOES, 22.

Brunker	Mahoney	Miller
Lonsdale	Campbell, Arch.	Cotton
Smith, Sydney	M'Lean	Ashton
Cook	Hogue	Neild
Garrard	M'Gowen	Affleck } Tellers.
Young	Macdonald	Watson }
Gould	Dick	
Whiddon	Law	

Mr. WATSON moved an amendment omitting the words "certain areas" with a view to inserting the words "the colony as one electorate." He held the opinion in regard to the liquor traffic if it was going to be regulated in any part of the colony a vote ought to be taken for the whole colony as one electorate. The idea of having the hotels on one side of a street closed and those on the other side open did not seem to him to be at all equitable, nor would it bring about any good result whatever. On the last occasion he was defeated by one vote, but that was because, he believed, certain members did not understand the purport of his amendment. He now believed they would vote for a national option rather than one pertaining to any small locality.

Mr. WOOD said he failed to see, now that the words "and prohibit" had been deleted from the resolution, that the amendment proposed by Mr. Watson would serve any good purpose. If the vote was to be taken as a national vote for the purpose of arranging the regulation of the traffic he would not vote for it. It would simply make the machinery inoperative.

Mr. AFFLECK said he did not see how the objections raised by Mr. Watson to the resolution as it stood would apply.

Mr. PERRY said that even with a national vote there would be unfairness. If after hotels had been closed in the colony a man on the borders desired a nightcap all he would have to do to obtain it would be to cross the border, whereas a man living in Sydney would have to travel 300 miles for the same luxury.

Mr. HAYNES said they had recently had an example of the effect of appealing to the people as one electorate on a question. It was simply impossible, in consequence of the difficulty of reaching many districts, to put an honest and complete case to the electors. In this matter success could only be attained by the local administration of the law.

Mr. CHAPMAN said he was disposed to vote for the amendment of Mr Watson because he thought it would be in the interests of those who believed that the bill was not a just and good bill. At the same time he would point out how unjust it would be in this matter for one part of the colony to legislate for another part where the conditions might be totally different.

Mr. M'DONALD said he could not see that the amendment would have the desired effect. If by a vote of the whole colony it was decided to reduce the hotels by 50 per cent., the whole reduction could be made almost in one district, instead of distributing the reduction through the whole colony. If the vote was taken in localities, and one desired a reduction of 50 per cent., the reduction would be made as desired.

Mr. ROSE said he intended to support the amendment. Surely they could get from the Minister in charge of the bill a definition of the word regulation. Under that word 75 per cent. of the drink traffic could be reduced. They had to decide between two evils, and should choose the lesser of the two. They wanted some regulation of the drink traffic, putting prohibition on one side altogether. The amendment would enable the electors to decide under what system they were going to regulate the traffic. What could be a more national question than the drink question?

Mr. HUGHES said that the drink question was one which could be better regulated locally than by dealing with it as one electorate for the colony. In some parts of Sydney it would be a good thing if half the public-houses were closed, but in a bush township the same conditions might not apply.

Mr. NEILD said that the amendment would destroy the principle of the bill. The question under discussion was one of local interest rather than of general principle. What they were going to regulate was more a matter of local convenience than anything else. Why should the question of what the people of the Richmond River chose to drink be settled by the people of Mount Kosciusko? Why should people who lived amidst eternal snow give a decision which affected the thirst of the people who lived in the tropics of the interior? To have one uniform rule for the whole of the colony on this matter would be impossible.

Mr. COPELAND said he thought that the amendment was quite in accord with the spirit of the times. They should not split up the colony into a number of divisions, each having a different licensing district and a different law. They ought to have one law for the whole of the colony.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION said that it was intended to make one law for the whole of the colony, and to have different districts for the carrying out of the law. Having removed the power of prohibition from the bill there was now no necessity to appeal to the country as a whole. He would agree, however, that the vote might be taken in each electoral district.

Mr. PERRY said he failed to see the justice of applying the proposed law to all parts of the colony, because he did not see why the people of Sydney, where there were too many hotels, should be able to over-ride the country districts, where there might be a necessity for an hotel.

Mr. M'LEAN said the amendment of the member for Young would bring nothing but confusion into the debate, hence he hoped it would not be carried.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said that if they were to appeal to the people to control the liquor traffic it would be much better to appeal to them in a national rather than in a local way. He could not understand any democrat refusing to support a referendum to the people as a whole on the liquor traffic question. Democrats cried out "Trust the people." Here they had an opportunity of trusting the people to remove those great evils which the temperance advocates said attended the consumption of drink. He was satisfied they would never settle the great drink question by applying the principle of local option to separate districts.

Mr. DACEY said that one of the greatest difficulties surrounding the application of the local option principle was the local feeling that might be aroused against some particular hotelkeeper. It was quite possible that in a tinpot locality, not large enough to swing a cat in without hitting some one, the issue as to whether or not an hotel should be closed would be decided according to the popularity or want of popularity of the hotelkeeper.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL: Municipalities will not be the boundaries. The boundaries will be those of the electorates.

Mr. DACEY said it would be far better to make the counties the boundaries of a local option district. There was a considerable amount of hollow sham about this business. Taking the lesser of the two evils, he would vote for the amendment.

Mr. MILLEN said that the amendment absolutely prohibited the taking of a local vote upon matters of mere regulation, which was a mere absurdity. He said at once that a small section of the community had no right to legislate for themselves. For that reason he would vote for the national referendum.

Mr. CHANTER said it was a well-known fact that the local option vote in the country districts was a perfect farce. The people in the back districts had no power to record their votes. He intended to vote for the amendment because he thought that in a question like this a national vote was better than a local vote.

Mr. WHIDDON said that it was just possible that by a combination vote of the city and suburbs the wish of the country might be restricted. He objected to giving the whole of the colony the vote in globo. He believed that within certain circumscribed areas those who wished an increase or a decrease of public houses had a perfect right to have their wishes carried out. He believed that everybody should have the right of regulating his own desire for liquor. He would therefore vote for the motion.

Mr. WILKS said that the mere fact of removing the publichouses would not lead to the temperance of the people. Without public feeling even the removal of the hotels from the people would not be effective. He intended to support the resolution as it stood.

Mr. Watson's amendment to strike out the words "certain areas" and insert the words "the colony as one electorate," was negatived on division by 44 votes to 30.

The division was as follows:—

For the Amendment, 30.

Lyne	Reymond	Nicholson
Hurley	Carroll	Griffith
M'Laughlin	Nelson	Gormly
See	Barnes	Millard
Copeland	Clarke, H.	Millen
Rose	M'Farlane	Sleath
Price	Kelly	Brown, H. H.
Anderson	Gillies	Davis
Chanter	Waddell	O'Sullivan }
Dacey	Hayes	Watson } Tellers.

Against the Amendment, 44.

Garrard	M'Lean	Harvey
Gould	Whiddon	Howarth
Lonsdale	Hogue	Cotton
Brunker	Chapman	Law
Young	Perry	M'Gowen
Wilks	Jones, Robert	Ravister
Cook	Morgan	Wood
Hughes	Lee	Dick
Ball	M'Millan	Ashton
Rigg	Molesworth	Willis
Neild	Clark, E. M.	O'Reilly
Reid	Hawthorne	Piddington, W. H. B. }
Smith, Sydney	Ball	Fitzpatrick, J. C. L. } Tellers
Campbell, Arch.	Phillips, S.	
Jessep	Harris	
Mahony		

Mr. COPELAND moved,—"That after the word 'areas' the words 'to provide for compensation to owners and occupiers of hotels who may be injuriously affected by the provisions thereof' be inserted." He said the House would never consent to a radical injustice by depriving honest citizens of their property without compensation. In Victoria they gave money compensation. It would be a fair thing for a portion of the license fees to go to a fund to compensate those whose houses were closed. People had spent their money on the strength of the existing law, and they ought not to be deprived of their business without some kind of compensation. Unless this amendment was inserted it would be impossible to provide in the bill for any compensation. A commission appointed in Canada to consider this question distinctly advocated money compensation.

Mr. ASHTON proposed to amend the amendment by omitting the word "compensation," and inserting the words "equitable time notice."

Mr. GRIFFITH said he desired to move a prior amendment to insert the words "at the expense of such publicans as retain their licenses" after the word "compensation."

Mr. ASHTON said Mr. Griffith could move that amendment afterwards if his was not carried. He would move his amendment because he desired to have a clear-cut vote as to whether consideration to the publicans should be cash compensation or an equitable form of time notice. A large number of people recognised that to make any provision for cash compensation was practically to make the measure a dead letter.

Mr. COPELAND said he could understand such a proposal as the one just made coming from one who held the single-tax theory. The hon. member might just as well propose to compensate landowners for resumed land by offering them what was called "an equitable time notice." The hon. member proposed to rob people of their rights and of their lawful vested interests. Could the hon. member point to any civilised country that had acted in such a way? It was a robbery and an injustice. He believed that the people were in favour of doing justice to the publicans.

Mr. M'MILLAN said he felt some difficulty in dealing with this question, which had been complicated by these two amendments. Personally he was in favour of time compensation. But, on the other hand, he believed that the order of leave to introduce the bill should be as liberal as possible. The principle of local option had been debated for many years, and they had come to the conclusion at last that no local option could be carried in this country that did not to some extent recognise the right of the publican to fair treatment. He did feel that this was not the stage for the House to debate the question as to what compensation was to be given. The had not before them the bill dealing with the question at all. It might be a very complicated piece of machinery, and there were many salient points in that bill upon which would depend the ultimate vote. They ought to have before them the whole of that bill before they decided upon that very important question of compensation. He sympathised to some extent with the hon. member in charge of the bill. There might be a sort of idea that if they voted for the amendment of Mr. Copeland it was equivalent inferentially to declaring that there should be some substantial claim allowed. That might be technically correct; but, on the other hand, he thought it would be better to vote for the broad amendment of the hon. member, Mr. Copeland, which would allow of the fullest possible discussion when the bill came on, and leave themselves open as to what course they would take as to the kind of compensation. By agreeing to the amendment on the amendment they would absolutely declare finally the character of the compensation. He did not usually refer to the Upper House in that Chamber, but whatever bill was passed must go through both Houses. Why should the Assembly at this stage prevent the other House, prevent the whole Parliament, from deciding upon this question of compensation? If he was in charge of this bill, if he was the most extreme local optionist and if he was, as he was, against cash compensation, he thought it would be better as a matter of fair play, as showing he wanted to do everything in the most palpably fair manner, that the whole question of compensation in every degree and every kind should be thoroughly before the House when it dealt with the bill in committee.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL said he could understand the speech of Mr. M'Millan if the amendment on the amendment had not been moved. He had told the House that he was not in favour of cash payment by way of compensation, but was in favour of a time notice being given in its place. That was precisely what Mr. Ashton was trying to effect. He was trying to determine whether it should be a cash payment or a time notice.

Mr. COPELAND: That is not the issue.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL said that was the issue. He thought the position of the hon. member for Burwood (Mr. M'Millan) was to vote against the amendment of Mr. Copeland and take the bill as it stood. If then he thought the bill was not fair he could surely exercise his right and veto the bill if he thought fit. The amendment on the amendment clearly embodied Mr. M'Millan's views on the matter. He was not in favour of cash payment for compensation. There was an alternative given to him, yet Mr. M'Millan proposed to vote against the alternative and in favour of the compensation proposed by Mr. Copeland, which if it meant anything at all meant cash payment.

Mr. GORMLY said that if they decided on the payment of money compensation they would only be returning to the publicans some of the money which they had contributed to the revenue.

Mr. HAYNES said that the argument of Mr. M'Millan would be supported by the majority of members there that night, although he believed that the majority held the opinion which he held, and which the hon. member for Burwood had expressed that night. He would appeal to the Postmaster-General to accept Mr. M'Millan's suggestion.

Mr. ROBERT JONES said that the Postmaster-General might just as well say that he was willing to give three months compensation as three years. In many instances leases of houses were held for three times three years and over.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said that scope ought to be given for fair compensation in some form or another. They ought not to have their hands tied down to one idea.

Mr. MACDONALD said that if cash compensation was even considered the House would be guilty of great injustice. Some persons held large numbers of houses—something like 400. ("Oh, oh.") Suppose the law shut up one-half of these houses, were they to try to compensate the owners, who would still enjoy a monopoly of the traffic?

The PREMIER said that it would be a breach of the law for one person to hold more than one license.

Mr. SLEATH: What is the percentage of licenses held by brewers?

The PREMIER said that he did not know. The same state of things existed in other countries, but it was a condition of things they had no sympathy for. There were, however, cases where the existing law had encouraged people to build hotels and to improve them. They had even submitted plans to the licensing courts before embarking their money, on the understanding that the licenses should be granted when the buildings were erected. There were scores of cases where people had advanced the whole of their capital in building places especially designed to meet the provisions of the law relating to this particular trade. How could it be said that such persons possessed no claims on the just consideration of Parliament?

Mr. MACDONALD: No one says so.

The PREMIER said there might be many cases in which the provisions of the law had been faithfully observed, and these cases would not be met by the Postmaster-General's idea of equity, which was three years' possession. This question had agitated the community for a great number of years. The contest had always been between compensation and no compensation. The temperance bodies had for long maintained a no-compromising attitude. They said that the whole trade was a flagrant iniquity, and that no compensation should be given; but of recent years this had been altered. The Postmaster-General was now representing these organisations, but he was taking a more reasonable attitude. He was now in favour of equitably dealing with the trade—by no means cash—but in the nature of the lapse of time. The amendment of the member for Hay was an unfortunate one, as it would place the House in a false position. Last session the House voted against the amendment by 55 to 38, and it was defeated. Was it likely that the House would now stultify itself by taking a different course? The advocates of temperance would be infinitely stronger with the great bulk of the people if they exhibited some reasonable desire to consider the equitable rights of persons engaged in the trade. It had been recognised that the publican had a right to look forward to a renewal of his license so long as he did not commit a breach of the law. (Hear, hear.) Now that the committee had eliminated the principle of prohibition the matter had assumed a very different aspect. He had all his life been a most determined opponent of prohibition. But the decision of the committee had removed his objection as to that phase of the question. There was no doubt that the number of houses was a scandal to the community, and that it would be wise to reduce them. Sixteen years ago the attempt to prohibit the issue of any more licenses till the number of houses bore a reasonable proportion to the number of electors had been rejected by the temperance party, who had grasped at the shadow instead of the substance. He would vote for the amendment of Mr. Copeland, which would not tie the House, but leave it free to put words into the bill which would provide for time notice or time compensation—because he had always been opposed to cash compensation. The people must feel that the House was putting itself in a position to do absolute justice to the interests of all concerned, and more than that, of the individuals concerned.

Mr. D. THOMSON said that he could not agree with the Premier that the general public looked upon the word "compensation" as cash compensation or time compensation or any other form of equitable adjustment. He believed that they regarded it as meaning simply cash compensation. Other trades had been affected by legal enactment, and all that was done was to give them consideration. Why, then, should the publicans claim exceptional treatment? This was the time to raise the direct question of time compensation or cash compensation, and therefore he favoured a vote being taken at once.

Mr. SLEATH said that very few persons could imagine that the people of the colony would for a moment tolerate money compensation to publicans. In Sydney alone over three-quarters of the hotels were held by brewers, and many of them were run for the purpose of deliberately robbing those who kept them. On the other hand there were a number of hotels run in a thoroughly reputable way. Surely some distinction should be made between the two. The bill if it were passed would be no good whatever in remedying the evils of the liquor traffic.

Mr. NEILD said that the improvement of the character of the liquor sold would be the surest way of remedying the evils of the liquor traffic. He was a believer in the principle of local option. If there was any merit in that principle it could be applied to the question of compensation. He had long advocated the proposal of dealing with compensation by a local option vote. He would vote for Mr. Copeland's amendment, but he would hold himself free in committee unless arrangements satisfactory to him were made for safeguarding the public interest. When the Postmaster-General conceded time notice he gave away the case against compensation. He did not think there was any chance of carrying into law a measure that would give no consideration to those who had invested their all under the existing law.

Mr. ASHTON said his purpose in moving his amendment was to get a clear-cut vote between cash compensation and a time consideration. Nothing could be gained by postponing the determination on this point, except that of deferring the day on which hon. members must show whether they were in favour of cash compensation or not. He could not understand the attitude of those who said they were not prepared to grant any form of consideration except time notice, and who yet refused to vote on it. He did not think any one expected this bill to be passed before the general election, and it was only fair that the people of the country should know who were in favour of cash compensation and who were in favour of time notice. He would have no truck whatever with any scheme in the shape of cash payment.

Mr. J. C. L. FITZPATRICK said he was in favour of time notice, and would support Mr. Ashton's amendment.

Mr. JESSEP said he regarded Mr. Ashton's amendment as one which demanded the toeing of the mark by all who had given pledges at the hustings in favour of local option. They had a clear issue plainly put before them. The traffic was an evil one and deserved to be regulated. He would be true to his hustings pledge and would vote for Mr. Ashton's amendment.

Mr. AFFLECK said he was in favour neither of money nor of time compensation. Some 200 houses were closed when the present Act came into force, but none of them were compensated.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: But they had an opportunity of complying with the law.

Mr. AFFLECK said he would vote against both Mr. Ashton's and Mr. Copeland's amendments, but he would accept Mr. Ashton's rather than lose all. If they compensated the publican let them compensate all those whose businesses they took away. When they extended the railways they took away the business of bullock drivers and carriers, and they did not compensate them. The publicans whose hotels were not closed should pay compensation to those publicans whose hotels were closed. The country certainly should not pay one penny of compensation in respect of closed hotels.

Mr. WILKS said the Premier had stated that publicans having embarked their capital under a law of the land should be compensated if their hotels were closed. To be logical the Premier should also compensate the sugar-growers, whose industry would, the protectionists averred, be destroyed by taking off the duty under which the industry was brought into existence.

Mr. ANDERSON said that prohibition would cramp the liquor traffic and in that way it would cramp the progress of the country by interfering with several industries which depended on that traffic.

Mr. GRIFFITH said that if they took away the living of a publican by closing his hotel it would be a rank injustice. He objected to the country being called upon to pay him compensation, and felt that the only way out of the difficulty was to compel those publicans whose hotels were not closed to compensate those whose hotels were closed.

Mr. WILLIS said that if they closed up hotels it was imperatively necessary, as a simple act of justice, to compensate the landlord for having robbed him of his livelihood. He would never support a proposal of a number of fanatics to perpetrate such an injustice.

Mr. GILLIES said he was elected on a pledge that he would support monetary compensation being given to publicans whose property was confiscated, and he regretted that the bill did not contain a provision to give such compensation.

Mr. PERRY said that if a publican's business was taken away he should be compensated. He would vote for the amendment of Mr. Copeland, but he could not at this stage vote for Mr. Ashton's amendment.

Mr. MILLLER said he intended to vote for the amendment of Mr. Ashton. He would have liked the Minister in charge of the bill to have stated what he meant by his form of time compensation in the order of leave.

Mr. KELLY said the question of local option would never be dealt with properly till it was dealt with in a local government measure. He would vote for the amendment of Mr. Copeland.

Mr. STOREY said the only way the question could be satisfactorily settled was by it being taken up by the Government and made a Government measure. He objected to monetary compensation, but he believed publicans should have reasonable notice. He would vote for Mr. Ashton's amendment.

Mr. Ashton's amendment was negatived on division by 50 votes to 30. The following is the division:—

For Mr. Ashton's Amendment, 30.

Brunker	Ravister	Campbell, Arch.
Hogue	Ball	Mahony
Lonsdale	Storey	Law
Cook	M'Gowen	Fitzpatrick, J. C. L.
Smith, Sydney	Wilks	
Garrard	Molesworth	Wheeler
Gould	Miller	Hawthorne
Ashton	Dick	Morton
M'Lean	Harvey	Jessep } Tellers
Thomson	Black	Affleck }
Macdonald		

Against Mr. Ashton's amendment, 50.

Morgan	Wright	Brown, H. H.
See	Graham	Haynes
Chanter	Reid	Dacey
Schey	Anderson	Mackay
Copeland	Phillips, S.	O'Sullivan
Jones, Travers	Jones, R.	Rose
Gillies	Clark, E. M.	Watson
Rigg	M'Laughlin	Collins
Neild	Clarke, F.	Wood
Lyne	Gormly	Millard
Kelly	Barnes	Griffith
Fitzgerald	Millen	Willis
Ball	Smailes	Carroll
Nelson	Chapman	Lee
Hurley	Nicholson	Waddell
M'Farlane	Davis	Piddington, W. H. B. }
Hayes	Price	Tellers.

Pairs.

For Mr. Ashton's amendment: Cotton, Whiddon, Howarth, Alex. Campbell, Young, O'Reilly.

Against: M'Millan, Knox, M'Elhone, Ewing, Reymond, Ross.

Mr. GRIFFITH moved,—"That to Mr. Copeland's amendment be added the words, 'at the expense of such publicans as retain their licenses.'"

Mr. COPELAND said the hon. member had a right to move his amendment after his (Mr. Copeland's) amendment had been dealt with.

Mr. WATSON said Mr. Griffith might well move this amendment in committee on the bill, because it had not yet been decided that money compensation should be paid.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION said he would not support Mr. Griffith's amendment, because it would commit them to money compensation.

Mr. WILLIS said Mr. Griffith's proposal was absurd. If they wanted to close hotels the country would have to pay for it. It was absurd to ask the remaining hotels to pay.

Mr. GRIFFITH: They get the increased business.

Mr. NEILD said if the whole of the hotels in one district were closed there would be no one left to find the money. The amendment of Mr. Griffith was absurd.

Mr. GORMLY said Mr. Griffith's amendment was so inconsistent that it was out of order.

Mr. MILLER said Mr. Griffith's amendment was absurd.

Mr. GRIFFITH said his scheme was quite workable. He believed that the country should be divided into sufficiently large licensing areas, to be worked by a board which would find the cash to buy out the publicans and reimburse themselves by charging——(Prolonged laughter.) That scheme would be quite workable.

Mr. Griffith's amendment upon Mr. Copeland's amendment was negatived. Mr. Griffith called for a division, but only three members voted for it, and the division was declared frivolous.

Mr. Copeland's amendment was then put, and carried by 49 votes to 25.

The division was as follows:—

For Mr. Copeland's Amendment, 49.

Schey	See	Chanter
Copeland	Brown, H. H.	Jones, Travers
Lyne	Miller	Price
Hurley	Nelson	Anderson
Morgan	Graham	Willis
Phillips, Simeon	Waddell	Haynes
Rigg	O'Sullivan	Mackay
Clarke, F.	Wright	M'Farlane
Ball	Fitzpatrick, J. C. L.	Wheeler
Jones, R.	Neild	Bull
Barnes	Gillies	Dacey
Perry	Reid	Kelly
Watson	Millard	Hayes
Nicholson	Carroll	Collins
Wood	Lee	Chapman } Tellers
Davis	M'Laughlin	Millen }
Gormly		

Against Mr. Copeland's Amendment, 25.

Cook	Ravister	Campbell, Arch.
Jessep	Storey	Wilks
Hogue	Lonsdale	Rose
M'Gowen	Molesworth	Griffith
Affleck	Dick	Morton
Garrard	Black	Harvey }
Brunker	Mahony	Hawthorne }
Ashton	Smailes	[Tellers.
M'Lean	Law	

The resolution as amended was agreed to on the voices.

The resolution was reported to the House.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL moved that the resolution be received.

Mr. Price objected.

The reception of the resolution was made an order of the day for Tuesday next.

ADJOURNMENT.

The PREMIER moved that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and at 12.8 a.m. the House adjourned till the usual hour on Tuesday next.

AMUSEMENTS.

PLEYEL CHAMBER CONCERTS.

The distinguishing feature at the Y.M.C.A. Hall last night of the fourth of the series of chamber concerts organised from Pleyel House was the interpretation of Grieg's "String Quartet in G minor" (op. 27) by Messrs. Henry Staell, F. M. Carter, A. Hill, and Gerard Vollmar. This fine work opens with un poco Andante of but a few bars, introducing a solemn theme rendered unisonally, and followed by a few chords of poignant sadness. Played with an effect of rugged power, this incisive opening proved in the highest degree striking. As it forms the foundation of the work, so the composer has made it the crown, closing the Quartet with the same impressive strains. In the first movement the Andante referred to leads at once into an allegro molto ed agitato which provides some of those strenuous ensembles in which all creation appears to groan aloud in anguish, in which Grieg especially delights. These ensembles, rightly delivered last night with rugged and sonorous power, are at times rather trying to the ear; but they have the effect of throwing into strong relief those melodious passages wherein the composer shows that when the sun does shine in his northern land it gleams as graciously as in more southern climes. The whole of the immensely difficult work, which took nearly 40 minutes to play, had been wonderfully well studied by M. Staell and his colleagues. But it was in the beauteous slow movement that they chiefly excelled, the fine tonal balance being combined with a delightfully expressive interpretation, in which every charm of the melodious fragment was revealed. In the presto al saltarello the lightest possible tone-combinations were in evidence, and the dainty accuracy with which the vivacious and somewhat uncanny staccato chords were played was all that was needed to accentuate the weird significance of the movement. Viewed as a whole Grieg's Quartet is a great piece of music; though one cannot help feeling that Hilda Wangel would have remarked of the composer, as she did of Heinrik Ibsen's master builder, "After all, I think you are a bit of a troll." There is a good deal of the troll in Grieg's music.

The programme closed with Rheinberger's "Quartet in E flat" (op. 38), which has been played here before with M. Kowalski as pianist. The work was originally introduced in London at the Monday Popular Concerts in 1874, and is a favourite repertoire work. It was agreeably rendered last night by Mrs. Evans Simmons, Messrs. Staell, Hill, and Vollmar. Richly harmonised throughout, the last movement exhibits quite a wealth of inventive grace, and here the pianist rendered the sparkling music well. Mrs. Evans Simmons joined with M. Staell in Schumann's "Sonata in A minor" for piano and violin (op. 105), playing her part rather coldly, but in the classic style. The violinist proved in fine form, and his rendering was full of interest. Mrs. Florence Tiernay rendered with general acceptance Schira's "Sognai" and "Margaret at the Spinning Wheel" (Schubert). All the artists were applauded with enthusiasm during the evening.

THE AMY SHERWIN CONCERTS.

Saturday being announced as the last concert of Mme. Amy Sherwin's short season, there was a large attendance at the Town Hall last night. Indeed, it would be strange if Australian amateurs of music failed to support so sweet and so accomplished a singer, seeing that she has left England, where she is so widely popular, to pay a second visit to her native country. Mme. Sherwin rendered first the recitative and aria "O Riante Nature," from Gounod's "Philemon et Baucis." The larghetto, the fine melody of which was given with persuasive charm, proved especially captivating, and, in spite of the absence of the orchestral colouring in which the birds and rustling trees are suggested, the singer secured a most enthusiastic encore. After several recalls, the distinguished soprano responded with "Robin Adair." Later Mme. Sherwin was warmly encored for "Lo, Here the Gentle Lark," with flute obbligato by Mr. H. Stoneham, when she added "No, Sir!" Mr. G. H. Clutsam, an Australian pianist who frequently figured on Sydney platforms as an accompanist, and is now coming forward in London as a song-writer, having composed "O Ma Babbie" and "If I were a Lark," especially for Mme. Sherwin. The singer introduced these numbers last night. The soothing, tender charm of the first, and the animation and fluency displayed by the singer in the second, delighted the audience, so that after several recalls the artist assuaged the enthusiasm with "Comin' Thro' the Rye." Mr. Barton M'Guckin, besides rendering the tragic scena and finale from "I Pagliacci," with dramatic force, introduced here the old Irish melody "The Snowy Breasted Pearl," as arranged expressly for him by Mr. Joseph Robinson. The simple plaintive air was tenderly rendered, the tenor making as usual some fine pianissimo effects. At this point the encore was not to be avoided, and Mr. M'Guckin accordingly contributed "I'll Sing thee Songs of Araby" (Clay). Mr. Arthur Deane, whose style lends itself readily to operatic music, gave an excellent interpretation of the prologue to "I Pagliacci," and he also won great applause with "The Bedouin Love Song." Mr. Herbert Stoneham played expressively Toulon's "Le Bonheur de se Revoir," an air with variations for flute, and Mr. S. Szczepanowski, who figures chiefly as a valued accompanist, also played pianoforte solos.

At the last concert to-morrow evening Mme. Amy Sherwin will repeat, by request, Handel's aria, "Ombra Mai Fu" (the Largo), with violin, organ, and piano accompaniment.

DROWNING FATALITY AT WILCANNIA.

WILCANNIA, Thursday.

A drowning fatality occurred here yesterday evening. John Thomas, cook of the steamer Lancashire Lass, was carrying a bucket of water from Rich and Co.'s yard to the cook's galley on the steamer, and on crossing the barge it is surmised that he must have slipped and fallen into the river. The men were working in the hold of the barge at the time when the splash was heard, and deceased's cap was seen floating in the water. Captain Sinclair dived into the river in the hope of rescuing the man, but was unsuccessful. The police subsequently recovered the body with grappling irons. Dr. Atkins was sent for, and pronounced life extinct. A magisterial inquiry was held this afternoon before Mr. Walterus Brown, P.M., who found that deceased was accidentally drowned. Thomas was 52 years of age, and a native of England.

SWIMMING.

NEW SOUTH WALES LEAGUE OF SWIMMERS.

The following are the handicaps allotted for the 92 Yards Handicap to be held at Farmer's baths, Domain, on Saturday afternoon:—

A. Cavill, 5 seconds; H. Pearce, 5; T. Meadham, 5; G. Meadham, 7; S. Davis, 7; M. M'Murdo, 7; E. Prior, 10; J. Bishop, 10; T. Gillespie, 11; M. Meadham, 12; E. Pratt, 12; J. Shepherd, 13; R. Porter, 15; G. Farmer, 15; A. Kelly, 15; G. Cronin, 19; M. Shepherd, 19.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

Entries close with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, at 5 p.m. to-day for the pony and galloway races to be run at Kensington on Thursday next. Particulars will be found in our advertising columns.

Loch Marie was yesterday scratched for all engagements in connection with the Rosehill October Meeting.

The pony and galloway races to be run at Brighton on Monday next will require attention to-day before 5 p.m., at which hour entries close with the secretary, Mr. T. Donnellan. The programme will be found in our business sheets.

At 5 p.m. to-day entries close with the secretary, Mr. J. Jolly, for the pony and galloway races to be determined at Moorefield on Wednesday next. The card will be found in our advertising columns.

In the local betting market yesterday Parthenopæus was backed for the Caulfield Cup to win upwards of £1000 at 100 to 10, and 100 to 12 was the best price available at the finish. About Foliage 100 to 7 was taken freely, and at the same price Rosella was accorded fair support, while 100 to 6 was booked about Paul Pry. The V.R.C. Derby and Melbourne Cup did not attract any business worthy of note.

The regular monthly meeting of the A.J.C. committee was held yesterday afternoon, when the following regulation was adopted:—"No scratching of any horse shall be accepted for any race from any person other than the owner or lessee of such horse, unless an authority in writing on that behalf, signed by the owner or lessee, be lodged with the secretary." The regulation comes into operation on December 1. The programme for the November race meeting was adopted. The sums of £5 each to E. Cleal and P. Regan, and £2 each to R. Boardman and W. Rheece, were voted from the distressed jockeys' fund. Jockeys' licenses were granted to J. F. Hodder, W. H. Smith, W. Shoesmith, Michael Daly, and James Rowan; and permission to ride for one month was given to Alfred Clark.

The secretary, Mr. E. G. Froom, will receive entries up to 5 p.m. to-day for the five pony and galloway races to be run at Rosebery Park on Tuesday next. Particulars will be found in our business columns.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

As the Randwick tan tracks had been watered overnight the going yesterday morning was excellent and fast. Before the regular hour of starting the work—half-past 5—Positano and Clarion ran a fast mile, left handed, on the tan. It was evident that a full round was intended, but Positano showed some of his old wilfulness, and refused to do business until a couple of dawdling furlongs had been run; then he caught hold of his bit and laid down to his work in style. The pair kept together throughout the eight furlongs, which were covered in 1 minute 47½ seconds. Gold Creek had a deal more in hand than Amourette at the finish of six furlongs, run in 1 minute 21½ seconds; and Lady Macbeth easily took the conceit out of Horus over a like distance in 1 minute 22 seconds. Telegraph ran three quarters of a mile in 1 minute 21 seconds; and Influenza ran the same distance in 1½ second slower time. The Grafter put in a stout working gallop around the tan; and Gaulus ran about a mile and a half at his best pace. He did the round of the tan in 2 minutes 20 seconds, and the concluding mile and three furlongs in 2 minutes 34 seconds. The handsome son of Gozo carried a fair weight, and finished this excellent gallop splendidly. Newman was allowed a useful start from The Captain, Sortie, and Tornado, and they finished a round in the order written, with two lengths between each, in 2 minutes 23½ seconds. Old Clo' worked steadily; and Loch Marie easily beat Combewood and Australian over six furlongs in 1 minute 20½ seconds; while Clan Alpine left six furlongs astern in the same time. Myee ran that course in half a second less. Podarces beat Worry over three-quarters of a mile in 1 minute 22 seconds; while Wat Tyler escorted a couple of two-year-olds over half a mile in 53½ seconds. Blacklock rather easily defeated The Cryer over six furlongs in 1 minute 22 seconds; and Countess of Aberdeen showed the way to King Clovis over the same distance in 1 minute 20½ seconds. Sayles easily beat the two-year-olds Noble and Ans over half a mile in 54 seconds. Tripos ran six furlongs easily in 1 minute 23½ seconds; and Ryde beat Essex by a neck and Typhoon by six lengths over half a mile in 52 seconds. Lady Trenville defeated J.B.C. by four lengths and Ditto by seven lengths over a round in 2 minutes 25 seconds; and Robin Hood finished half a dozen lengths in front of St. Francis over six furlongs in 1 minute 21 seconds.

VICTORIAN TRAINING NOTES.

FLEMINGTON.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Good work was done this morning on the sand track, which was the only one used. It was in capital order, and very fast. Gaylad ran a good two miles in 3 minutes 55 seconds, and is in first-class form. Hullabaloo ran a mile in 1 minute 53 seconds. Toreador, after going three furlongs in about even time, galloped a mile with the greatest ease in 1 minute 50½ seconds. Roscommon, ridden right out, took 52¼ seconds to cover half a mile, while Nor'-East and Mirella, both going very wide, galloped 6 furlongs in 1 minute 20 seconds, the colt going well within himself all the journey. Interlude and Eri Queen, finishing together, beat Cohort easily over 6 furlongs in 1 minute 21¼ seconds. Parthenopæus was six lengths to the good at the finish of a mile and three furlongs' gallop with Mischief. Both had light weights up, and ran the distance in 2 minute 29¼ seconds. It was a capital gallop, as the pace was fully on from the jump. They ran the first mile in 1 minute 48¼ seconds, nine furlongs in 2 minutes 0¾ seconds and the mile and a quarter in 2 minutes 15 seconds. Amberite and Fucile ran nine furlongs in 2 minutes 3 seconds. For the journey Fucile, who had the outside running, seemed to be going the stronger at the finish. Cocos went in his very best style over half a mile, beating Monte Rosa pointless in 51¼ seconds. Murdoch ran a capital two miles in company with Cedric, whom he beat easily in 3 minutes 35 seconds. Vigorous was three lengths to the good at the end of a half-mile gallop with Lady Mostyn, run in 51¼ seconds. It was a capital performance, and although the filly was beaten she ran uncommonly well. Canoona did strong work only, and covered the last four of eight furlongs in 57 seconds. Staffa, who was dreadfully sore, was easily beaten by his stable mate, Quickshot, over a slow run mile, which took the winner 1 minute 53 seconds to accomplish. Zitella and Valorous covered six furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds. Surge and Contrast made a dead heat of it over a mile, with Fitzroy beaten off, in 1 minute 49¼ seconds. The pony must either have been heavily weighted or would not gallop, as the exhibition was certainly not his true form. Delaware went about even time over a mile, moving very freely. Alva ran seven furlongs in 1 minute 38 seconds. Douro and Batanso galloped a strong mile, covering the last four furlongs in 55 seconds, both of them having big weights up. Trichord did a useful mile, and Warsloop over a similar distance, ran the last five furlongs in 1 minute 11¼ seconds. Ayrshire did one of his bad gallops, taking 2 minutes 7½ seconds to cover nine furlongs. In company with Sabrina, Paul Pry put up the season's mile record, galloping the distance in 1 minute 45½ seconds. Coil, Metford, and Zeno went with him, but he beat them by six lengths at the finish. Coil and Metford finished together, with Zeno beaten off. Cardamon went only at three-quarters pace. Dreamland and Keera, who both look in splendid form, covered a mile easily in 1 minute 52 seconds. Acton and Ranfurly only did slow work, but both look very well. Peveril did a good two miles gallop, and so did Votary, who had sweaters on. Late in the morning Hephestus tried to give Drama a six lengths start over half a mile, but could not manage it. The colt took 51¼ seconds to do the distance, but the gallop was not as good as that of Cocos or Vigorous, which took place three hours previously. However, Hephestus, who is by Carbine from Hera, is a good colt, and is sure to run forward in the Debutant Stakes.

CAULFIELD.

A large number of persons watched the work on the tracks this morning. The weather was pleasant, and the "going" in good order. Waraka was the first to put in an appearance, but was only indulged in moderate exercise. J. O'Loughlin, contrary to his usual practice, was one of the "early birds" with Trent, who had the assistance of Canal for a mile and a half gallop, which the black horse accomplished in excellent style in 2 minutes 47½ seconds, while the mile and a quarter took 2 minutes 19 seconds, and the mile and three furlongs 2 minutes 33 seconds. Burrabari was sent two miles, and was helped at different parts of the journey by Winsome and Marungi. The time for the last 12 furlongs was 2 minutes 50 seconds. Fleet Admiral ran all over Miraculum in a three-quarters of a mile spin, done in 1 minute 22¼ seconds. The five furlongs occupied 1 minute 9 seconds. The colt showed no sign of lameness either before or after the gallop, and went freely. Vindictive spurted, and Nora Creina did useful exercise. Sunbury and the Somerset filly ran a mile together in 1 minute 55 seconds, but were not asked to make any time. Mora and Rosella merely did a working gallop of a mile and a half, which occupied 2 minutes 55 seconds. Malliards and Mainstay were restricted to half-pace work. The Chevalier, with assistance, ran a mile and a quarter in 2 minutes 18 seconds. D. O'Brien and T. Kiely again put their two-year-olds together for half a mile, which was done in 52¼ seconds, Sparta finishing first, Cicero, who got badly away, next, and then Malatana and Peerage. Timoni, Zanonia, and Fairyhouse, the lastnamed an ungainly looking steeplechaser from Sydney, did their work together. Archie Lee left six furlongs behind him in 1 minute 23¼ seconds, and Darrymaid and the Madge filly went smartly over half a mile. Water Colour showed a lot of pace over a mile, done in 1 minute 48¾ seconds, which she did comfortably. Advance, Hambault, and Moonshee finished in the order named over half a mile sprint, which was done in 53 seconds. Straightfire made use of the tan, and Catspaw, who was not exerted, ran a mile in one minute 50 seconds. Foliage with about 6st 5lb up, and Malto, 7st 12lb, ran a mile and a-half in 2 minutes 46½ seconds, the Adelaide horse finishing first, with three lengths to spare. The intervening distances were run as follows:—Half-mile, 50 seconds; 6 furlongs, 1 minute 20 seconds; 7 furlongs, 1 minute 33 seconds; mile, 1 minute 46 seconds; and 1¼ mile, 2 minutes 16 seconds. Foliage was eased during the last half-mile. Beverley and Eugene did a taking mile gallop on the sand in 1 minute 51 seconds. Ailsa Craig had the assistance of Valour for 9 furlongs, which was done in 2 minutes 6 seconds.

MELBOURNE BETTING MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the betting market to-day Parthenopæus firmed for the Caulfield Cup, 500 to 50 being accepted about him. Rosella was backed at 500 to 45 and 100 to 7. Trent was supported to win about £1000. A couple of thousands were secured about Nor' East at 100 to 5, which price was wanted at the finish. A wager of £500 to £30 was booked to Ayrshire. There is no change in the Melbourne Cup quotations. For the Derby £150 to £100 was laid on Aurum. The following prices are on offer:—

Caulfield Cup.—100 to 10 v. Parthenopæus, 100 to 9 v. Rosella, 100 to 7 v. Amberite, 100 to 7 v. Trent, 100 to 6 v. Ayrshire, 100 to 6 v. Nor'-East, 100 to 5 v. Foliage, 100 to 5 v. Paul Pry, 100 to 4 v. Key, 100 to 4 v. Hypnotist, 100 to 4 v. Sunbury, 100 to 4 v. St. David, 100 to 3 v. Malto, 100 to 3 v. Devon, 100 to 3 v. Virtue, 100 to 3 v. Water Colour.

V.R.C. Derby.—6 to 4 on Aurum, 100 to 30 v. Amberite, 100 to 10 v. Hypnotist, 100 to 5 v. Fleet Admiral.

Melbourne Cup.—100 to 8 v. Wait-a-bit, 100 to 8 v. Aurum, 100 to 8 v. Positano, 100 to 6 v. Coil, 100 to 5 v. The Merry Boy, 100 to 5 v. Fucile, 100 to 5 v. Mora, 100 to 5 v. Trent, 100 to 5 v. Toreador, 100 to 4 v. Amberite, 100 to 4 v. Rosella.

V.A.T.C. SPRING MEETING.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The final acceptances for the Victorian Amateur Turf Club races are as follows:—

DEBUTANTE STAKES.

Pirate King	Lady Portsea	Egypt	Hainhault
Estuary	The Saucy Girl	Moonshee	Vigorous
Ranfurly	Cardamon	Novus	Lady Mostyn
Florence	Roscommon	Cicero	Cocos
Auriferous	Canada	Shaita	Hephestus
Ormaz			

TOORAK HANDICAP.

Resolute	Metford	Zeno	Fitzroy
Staffa	Koha	Majestic	Virtue
Paul Pry	Water Colour	Ailsa Craig	Lustre
Acton	Miss Gladstone	Mirella	Contrast
St. David			

CAULFIELD GUINEAS.

Aurum	Keera	Virtue	Litigia
Manfred	The Hypnotist	Nudity	La Carabine
Warsloop	Fleet Admiral		

LATEST SCRATCHINGS.

Vigil was to-day struck out of the First Handicap Steeplechase.

TAMWORTH JOCKEY CLUB.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

The summer meeting of the Tamworth Jockey Club has been fixed for November 23 and 24. The programme is not yet announced.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The pony and galloway races held at Kensington yesterday were well attended. The following are the results:—

Novice Handicap (15.0), of 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—F. M'Carty ns b g Repeater, 5 years, 7st 13lb, including 1lb over (J. Smith), 1; J. Kearey's b m Laurel, 4 years, 8st 2lb (P. Walker), 2; S. Freeman ns br m Au Revoir II., 6 years, 8st 5lb (F. Smith), 3. Other starters: Laurette, 8st 7lb; Lady Lynne, 8st 2lb; Good Luck, 7st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 4 on Laurette, 2 to 1 v. Repeater, 6 to 1 v. Laurel, 8 to 1 v. Good Luck. Won by three lengths, a noise between second and third. Time, 58½ seconds.

Fourteen-one Handicap, of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—D. Doolan ns blk g Two Up, 5 years, 8st 9lb (Crockett), 1; J. M'Donagh ns blk f Veronica, 2 years, 6st 8lb (Mooney), 2; W. Welings ns ch m Lochfair, aged, 7st 12lb (Want), 3. Other starters: Fawn, 9st; Frawney, 7st 12lb, including 3lb over; Comerton, 7st 5lb; Toss, 7st 6½lb, including 1½lb over. Betting: 5 to 2 v. Veronica, 3 to 1 each v. Lochfair and Two Up, 7 to 1 each v. Frawney and Fawn. Won by half a length, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 56½ seconds.

Fifteen Hands Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—C. W. Robinson ns b m Waiting Maid, 5 years, 7st 3lb, including 1olb penalty (Crockett), 1; Jas. Perry ns b m Vade, 6 years, 7st 8lb (Howard), 2; J. Hutton's ch m Bubba, 5 years, 6st 13lb (Hutton), 3. Other starters: Mona II., 8st 9lb; Bullion, 8st; Shop Boy, 6st 9lb. Betting: Even money on Waiting Maid, 4 to 1 each v. Bullion and Vade, 6 to 1 v. Bubba, 8 to 1 v. Mona II. Won by a length and a quarter, a neck between second and third. Time, 58½ seconds.

Thirteen-three Handicap of 20 sovs., 4 furlongs.—J. M'Carty ns ch m Vina, 4 years, 7st 6lb (Crockett), 1; R. Gray's b m Not Yet, 6 years, 9st 10lb (W. Woodgate), 2; S. Knight ns b m Mistletoe, aged, 10st 5lb (Montgomery), 3. Other starters: Little Nell, 8st 4lb, including 1lb over; Lucky Boy, 7st 13lb; Waxy, 7st 8lb; My Jane, 7st 5lb; Maria, 6st 8lb, including 2lb over; Louie, 6st 8lb, including 1lb over. Betting: 6 to 4 on Vina, 7 to 1 each v. Maria and Not Yet, 8 to 1 v. Mistletoe. Won by a length, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 54 seconds.

Fourteen-two Welter Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—B. Winter ns b m Baabee, 4 years, 8st 6lb (J. Smith), 1; J. Shannon's b or br m Etheline, 5 years, 8st 9lb (Crockett), 2; C. Peters ns br m Lilydale, aged, 8st 4lb (W. Woodgate), 3. Other starters: Ina, 9st; Release, 8st 8lb; Black Duck, 8st 6lb; Snowball, 8st 5lb; Puzzle, 8st 3lb; Aris, 8st 1lb, including 1lb over. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Etheline, 5 to 1 each v. Baabee and Release, 6 to 1 v. Lilydale, 7 to 1 v. Snowball, 8 to 1 v. Black Duck. Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute.

Kensington Handicap (15.0) of 25 sovs., 1 mile.—G. Carter ns b m Glen Vive, 6 years, 7st 7lb (Crockett), 1; J. M'Mahon ns br g Satan, 5 years, 8st 9lb (Want), 2; E. Jurd's b or br g Loftus, aged, 7st (Burke), 3. Other starters: Maybe, 8st 5lb; Kaloola, 7st 8lb; Remember Me, 8st 10lb; Melissa, 6st 7lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v. Satan, 4 to 1 v. Maybe and Glen Vive, 5 to 1 v. Loftus, 6 to 1 v. Remember Me. Won by three quarters of a length, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1 minute 46 seconds.

ATHLETICS.

THE INTERCOLONIAL CONFERENCE.

THE AMATEUR DEFINITION.

The delegates to the Intercolonial Amateur Conference concluded their sitting last night. Mr. R. Coombes presided. The questions considered were the amateur definition and the various sub-clauses, the renewal of amateur championship agreement, the constitution of the new union—the Amateur Athletic Union of Australasia—and the adoption of a uniform method of reinstatements. The amateur definition was decided as follows:—"An amateur is one who has never competed for a money prize, staked bet, or declared wager, or who has not knowingly and without protest competed with or against a professional for a prize of any description or for public exhibition, or who has never taught, pursued, or assisted in the practice of any athletic exercise as a means of livelihood or for pecuniary gain." The athletic exercises are pole vaulting, putting the shot, quoits (field), racquets, running (all distances), skating, swimming and natatorial exercises, throwing the hammer, throwing weights, tugs of war, walking (all distances), wrestling, throwing the discus, and throwing the cricket ball. The games in which amateurs could compete with professionals are:—Baseball, cricket, football, handball, golf, lacrosse, lawn and court tennis, quoits, racquets, and hockey. Section 1. An amateur forfeits his status and becomes a professional by (a) any infringement of the above definition; by (b) competing with or pacemaking for a professional, or person under sentence of suspension, in public or for a prize; (c) selling, realising, bartering, or otherwise turning into cash any prize won by him, or accepting any remuneration directly or indirectly from any person for any competition in which he is an entrant or a competitor; (d) wagering, or being in any way interested in a staked bet or wager made in connection with any competition in which he is an entrant or a competitor; (e) entering for any athletic event for which a money prize is offered, or for a money prize or trophy offered as alternatives, or in any event open to professionals; (f) accepting any travelling or hotel expenses from any club or sports promoted except in the case of a championship meeting or with the special sanction of the A.A.A.; (g) entering for or competing in any athletic event under a fictitious name. Section 2. The following exceptions shall be made to this rule:—(a) All persons who have been reinstated by any A.A.A., and have not infringed their amateur status subsequent to such reinstatement, shall be considered amateurs; (b) amateurs shall not lose their status by competing with or against professionals in any game for which no money prize is offered; (c) competitions at arms between volunteers or regulars, fire brigades, competitions pure and simple, the pastimes of shooting and sailing, and all other pastimes not coming within the definition of athletic exercises, shall not be considered as coming within the scope of these rules (d) competitions open only to volunteers or regulars at naval, military, or athletic meetings, such events being for trophies only, shall be exempt from any rule disqualifying persons from competing against professionals; (e) receiving remuneration for any office connected with athletic sport sanctioned by A.A.A., shall not constitute a person a professional; (f) schoolboys who have infringed their amateur status may compete at their own school sports without affecting the amateur status of their school fellows; (g) teaching athletic excercises at a school does not constitute a person a professional, provided his engagement includes scholastic duties at the same institution.

It was decided to renew the Australasian championship agreement between the four colonies—New South Wales, New Zealand, Victoria, and Queensland—the first meeting to be held at Brisbane in September 1899, the second in New Zealand in January 1902, the third in Melbourne in November 1903, and the last in Sydney in October 1905. It was decided that the following be the events and standards of the Australasian championship programme:—

100 yards flat, standard 10 1-5 seconds; 220 yards flat, standard 22 4-5 seconds; 440 yards flat, standard 52 seconds; 880 yards flat, standard 2 minutes 2 seconds; 1 mile flat, standard 4 minutes 32 seconds; 3 miles flat, standard 15 minutes 30 seconds; 120 yards hurdles, standard 16 2-5 seconds; 440 yards hurdles, standard 61 seconds; high jump, standard 5ft. 7in.; long jump, standard 21ft.; 1 mile walk, standard 7 minutes; 3 miles walk, standard 23 minutes 15 seconds.

The championships to be decided in each of the four colonies between the months of September and March, and that no colony be allowed to start more than three men in any running, walking, or hurdle event. Resolved that the clauses of the agreement be printed and submitted to each association represented.

GOLF.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At the golf meeting at Geelong to-day a contest took place between the professionals R. Taylor (of Royal Melbourne) and J. Scott (of Royal Sydney). The weather was excellent, and there was a large attendance. The first round of 18 holes ended in the contestants coming in square; but in the second round of 18 holes Taylor ended with three up. The finish match of 36 holes will be played at Caulfield next week.

AQUATICS.

SYDNEY DINGY SAILING CLUB.

Mr. B. B. Lloyd presided at this club's meeting on Wednesday evening, when arrangements were made for next Saturday's 14ft. handicap. The entries received were:—Wanda, Ena, Marjorie, Boomerang, Euchre, Hero, Thos. Punch, Ettie, and Alice. The usual Shark Island course was chosen. Prizes were fixed at £3, £1, and 10s. Messrs. T. Curtis and J. Mellon were appointed starter and time-keeper.

YOUR VERMIFORM APPENDIX is a little passage in the intestines with an entrance, but no outlet. If a lemon pip or an OAT HUSK gets in there you're a gone coon. Eat QUAKER OATS and take no chances. No husks. No moisture. Sweet as a nut.—Advt.

"Milo" cork-tipped, heavy-weight Cigarettes. Superior to all others.—Advt.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT COOLGARDIE.

A NUMBER OF BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

LOSS OF LIFE.

COOLGARDIE, Thursday.

About 3.30 on the morning of the 4th the firebell suddenly gave an alarm. Within a few minutes the Denver City, the chief hotel, occupied by Harris and Collett, was one mass of flames. Fed by inflammable material, the fire soon spread to the greengrocery shop of Mr. Greenhalgh, the premises of Messrs. Rennie, B. Phillips's Ellerslie billiard-room, and other places. Soon nearly a dozen premises were enveloped in flames. The fire brigade had considerable difficulty in obtaining water. Fortunately the wind was favourable, and by pulling down a small tenement the flames were checked. All the places were gutted, save the iron house of B. Phillips at back of the saloon, which was saved. Many of the residents of Denver City were able only just to escape with their lives. A constable and other persons stated that they heard the moans of a woman proceeding from the interior of the hotel, but the statement was not generally credited until human remains were found later in the afternoon. These were so charred that there was no possibility of identifying them, and the Government medical officer was not sure whether they represented one or two bodies. The identity of the remains is still a mystery. As all the regular boarders were accounted for, the remains were thought to be those of one of the casual lodgers. Harris and Colletts, the licensees of the Denver City Hotel, estimate the value of their stock at £2500, which is uninsured. The building was insured for £1500. None of the other places were insured. An inquest was formally opened to-day and adjourned till Saturday.

The premises destroyed are as follows:—Harris and Collett's Denver City Hotel, B. Phillips's Ellerslie billiard saloon, Greenhalgh's greengrocer; Sheehan and Hughes, Yilgarn restaurant; Francis Gleeson (shop empty); Stellwag, drapery; Fox and Holmes, fruiterers; R. Paul, bootmaker; G. Provan, saddler; G. Plarm, hairdresser, at whose premises the fire stopped. The two adjoining shops, tenanted by Dracey and G. G. Sutter, were severely damaged. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

(Continued from Page 4.)

Custom-house.—Entered Outwards: October 7, Glenorchy, s., 2827 tons, Captain W. Prakes, for Dunkirk and London, via ports; Echuca, s., 2886 tons, Captain Edmonds, for Dunkirk and London; Nairnshire, s., [illegible] tons, Captain C. Olsen, for London, via Timaru; Julia Percy, s., 580 tons, Captain W. Hurford, for Brisbane; Lorraine, s., 2287 tons, Captain C. J. Killey, for Adelaide, via Newcastle; Derwent, s., 478 tons, Captain F. Chapman, for Melbourne; Waitemata, brigantine, 365 tons, Captain F. Nilsen, for Auckland, via Newcastle; Oscar Robinson, schooner, [illegible] tons, Captain W. G. Garth, for Norfolk Island, via Lord Howe Island.

Captain R. Boulden reports that the steamer [illegible] crossed the Manning bar at 5 p.m. on October 6, arrived in port at 1 p.m. on October 7. Had strong south wind and rough sea to Bird Island, thence to port moderate [illegible] wind and sea.

The Lund line steamer Echuca is to berth at Dalton Wharf to-day.

The German-Australian line Essen will leave to-day for Newcastle, where she is to load coal for Singapore.

The Tyser steamer Indramayo, having completed the discharge of her Sydney cargo, is to sail at 4 p.m. to-day for Auckland.

The steamer Newcastle will make the excursion trip to-morrow afternoon to the Hawkesbury River.

The P. and O. Company's cargo steamer Candia left Hongkong on the 4th instant for Sydney. She is expected at Thursday Island next Thursday.

In 1880 France ranked next to Great Britain as a ship-owning nation, in 1890 she had fallen to the sixth rank, and now occupies ninth place, Russia, Sweden, and even poor little Greece possessing more tonnage.

Captain W. J. Featherstone, from Hobart, reports leaving at 9.20 p.m. on the 5th instant, rounded Tasman Island at 12.20 a.m. on the 6th instant, Eddystone abeam at [illegible] a.m., Barren Island, at 1.30 p.m., Gabo Island at 3 [illegible], on the 7th, Green Cape at 4.30 a.m., Montague Island [illegible] 9.15 a.m., Jervis Bay at 2.30 p.m., entered the Heads at 8.50 p.m., arriving at 9.25 p.m. Experienced light N.E. wind and sea to Gabo. Crossing the Straits had strong S.W. wind, with high sea, thence to arrival light variable wind, with fine weather and smooth sea.

Captain W. O. Heroe reports that the steamer [illegible] left Eden at 8 a.m. on October 6, called at Merimbula, Tathra, and Bermagui, and arrived at the company's wharf at [illegible] p.m. on October 7.

The steamer Fiado, from Noumea, yesterday arrived in port, and berthed at the Grafton wharf. Captain [illegible] reports leaving Noumea on the 4th instant, and experiencing fine weather throughout the trip.

Sir Thomas Sutherland, chairman of the P. and O. Company, has written to the Colombo agency to the effect that the question of erecting a lighthouse in Socotra, the scene of the wreck of the Aden, has been taken up by Her Majesty's Government.

The Essen was yesterday fixed 1800 tons Pacific mail for Singapore from Newcastle.

The steamer Mount Kembla, from Noumea and the New Hebrides, is due, and the Birksgate is due to-day from Fiji, the New Hebrides and New Caledonia.

Captain C. J. Nightingall reports that the steamer Bothwell Castle left Melbourne wharf on the 5th instant at [illegible] p.m., with passengers and cargo for Sydney and Queensland ports. She cleared Port Phillip Heads at 1.45 p.m., and had moderate northerly winds to Wilson's Promontory, passed on the 6th at 4.30 a.m.; thence strong S.W. winds and rough sea to Gabo, passed at 7.45 p.m.; moderate southerly wind and fine weather to Cape St. George, passed on the 7th at 8.30 a.m.; and entered Sydney Heads at 12.15 p.m.

Captain Munroe reports that the steamer Marion Renwick left Thursday Island on September 24, at [illegible] a.m., passed Cooktown at 6.30 a.m. 27th instant; anchored under No. 3 Perry for shelter on September 30; left again at [illegible] a.m. on October 1; passed Cape Moreton at 5 p.m. the 3rd instant, anchored at Cape Byron for shelter at 6 p.m., October 4; left at 6 a.m. 5th instant, Seal Rocks at midnight on 6th instant, arrived at Sydney at midnight 7th instant.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Parramatta, hence August 30, arrived at Suez on Wednesday morning, the 6th instant.

The R.M.S. Massilia, hence August 16, arrived at Plymouth on Wednesday morning, the 6th instant.

The R.M.S. Orotava, hence August 23, arrived at Plymouth homewards on October 6.

BAR HARBOURS.

The Clarence bar yesterday had 16ft. 9in. on it at high water.

The Manning bar had 10ft. on it, and 8ft. on the crossing at high water, and rise of tide 3ft. 6in.

The Moruya bar had 10ft. on it, and the crossing 8ft. at high water.

The Tweed bar at high water had 9ft. 6in. on it, with 5ft. rise of tide.

THE MARGHERITA.

Messrs. H. W. Peabody and Co. have received a cable from their New York house advising that, so far as known there, the Margherita, barque, from New York to Brisbane, has not been wrecked or abandoned.

THE GULF OF GENOA.

Messrs. A. M'Arthur and Co., agents for the Gulf Line Association and the Greenock S.S. Company, yesterday reported the Gulf of Genoa from Glasgow and Liverpool. The Clyde was left on July 31, and Liverpool August 11. She coaled at Las Palmas August 18, passed the Cape September 5, and in 41·10 S., 51·10 E., September 11, passed a large berg. Thence had heavy gales and generally stormy weather.

THE THORNLEY.

The steamer Thornley last night arrived in Watson's Bay. She left Port Pirie October 2 at 5 p.m. with [illegible] tons of lead, with fresh S.W. wind down the Gulf, passed Cape Willoughby at 7 p.m. on October 3; thence to Northumberland Cape had light airs and calms, with heavy S.W. swells, thence to the Otway fresh to strong easterly winds. Passed the Promontory at midnight on the 5th, thence to Cape Everard moderate S.W. gales, with rain squalls; passed Everard on October 6, at 5 a.m., thence to Sydney moderate to fresh S.W. winds, and entered the Heads on October 7, at 10 p.m., and came to anchor in Watson's Bay to await orders. Passage, five days five hours.

MESSAGES FROM THE SEA.

The following messages floated in bottles at sea to test the current have been picked up:—Current paper set adrift from P. and O. Company's steamer Victoria by Captain E. D. G. Worcester, R.N.R., on July 24, 1897, in lat. 39·20 S., long. 2·34 W., found by Samuel Marstman, coastguardsman, on August 14, 1897, at East Wittering, coastguard station, Sussex, England. Current paper set adrift from the steamer Ballaarat by T. S. Angus on August 25, 1897, in lat. 35·44 S., long. 113·52 E., found by John Male on September 4, 1897, 65 miles east of King George's Sound, West Australia.

THE HOWARD SMITH LINE.

The Derwent leaves here to-day for Melbourne. The Julia Percy left here yesterday for Brisbane, Maryborough, and Rockhampton. The Tyrian leaves on Saturday at [illegible] p.m. for Melbourne, leaving there again on Wednesday next for Sydney. The Leura leaves here on Saturday at [illegible] p.m. for Brisbane and Northern Queensland ports. The Buninyong leaves Melbourne on Friday for Sydney, sailing again from here on Tuesday next for Melbourne, Adelaide, Bunbury, Albany, Fremantle, and Geraldton. The Peregrine leaves Townsville on Saturday for Sydney, via ports, and may be expected to arrive here on Friday, October 15. The Konoowarra leaves Brisbane on Friday for Maryborough and Rockhampton. The Gabo leaves Adelaide on Friday for Albany, Bunbury, Fremantle, and Geraldton. The Hubbuck leaves Albany on Wednesday for Fremantle. The Time leaves Port Pirie on Saturday for Sydney, via ports.

WOOL LOADING.

Messrs. Dangar, Gedye, and Co. advise that the Medina and Glenshiel have both secured full cargoes, and the latter will leave Adelaide on Monday next with equal to 9700 bales, besides ore. The Glenesk will berth at the Circular Quay early next week to load for Dunkirk and London. Already there are over 1000 bales of wool in hand. This steamer goes to Melbourne to complete. The Brilliant is getting on satisfactorily, and will have on board this week nearly 2000 bales. A further 1000 bales are in store, and it is intended to despatch her about the 18th instant. The Torridon will follow.

FRENCH FOUR-MASTED SAILERS.

The fine four-masted ship Jacqueline, which was launched lately as a specimen of the French clipper built under the new policy of the Government subsidy for the encouragement of the shipbuilding industry, and fully described at the time in these columns, has a counterpart in the Bal Renouf just launched at Havre. The Bal Renouf is constructed throughout of steel, and has a length of 95·14 metres (312ft.), a beam of 13·83 metres (45ft. 3in.), and a depth of 7·52 metres (24ft. 8in.), with a gross tonnage of 3120, and a measurement of 3700 tons, the total sail area being equal to 3500 square metres, or about 37,620 square feet. The vessel was constructed under special survey of Lloyd's register. These vessels, including the Felix Faure and another now on the stocks, are fitted with all the modern appliances for handling cargo and ensuring the safety of the ship and her crew, and will no doubt form a welcome addition to the mercantile marine of France.

A GENUINE RELISH.

The new sauce, HUNTER'S PAW-PAW, has leapt into public favour in an amazingly short space of time. It is so delicious and wholesome, so perfect for dyspeptics, and just the thing for soup, meat, fish, or game. PAW-PAW is sold by all Grocers, and will be found on the dinner table of all gourmets. Try it.—Advt.

"Milo" cork-tipped, heavy-weight Cigarettes. Once smoked, always smoked.—Advt.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

There was very little business in the Stock and Share market to-day, and quotations were fairly steady. Government stocks and bonds were quoted the same as yesterday. Australian Joint Stock Bank shares were sold at an advance of 6d, and Commercial of Sydney rose ½. Australian Joint Stock Bank deposits receded 1½d. Steam, Insurance, and Gaslight remained as last quoted. Alterations in brewery quotations were but nominal. Melbourne Tramway brought 12s 7½d, with buyer at close at 12s 6d. Silverton Tram were 2s dearer, and Emu Gravel 2d.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—At 1 o'clock: A.J.S. Bank shares, 8s 9d; A.J.S. Bank B deposits, 10s 4½d; Fresh Food and Ice Company, 18s 2d; Silverton Tramway, 103s; Melbourne Tramway, 12s 7½d. At 4 o'clock: A.J.S. Bank B deposits, 10s 4½d; Commercial Bank of Sydney, 22½. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.
	£	£	£	p. c.			
N.S.W. Funded Stock Act, 1892	2,808,010	...	...	4	113	...	112
Ditto Act, 1873	530,180	...	...	4	128½	...	130
Ditto due 1924	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Ditto, due 1935	...	...	...	3	99½	99½	...
Ditto Deb., 1909	200,200	...	...	5	110	108	115
Ditto Deb. 1901	...	...	...	...	107½	...	...
Ditto Deb., 1909	...	...	...	...	108½	...	...
N.Z. Deb., 1913	200,000	...	...	4	106	105	...
Q'land Deben.	...	...	...	4	106½	105	...
Colonial Sugar—Deb., 1914	...	...	...	5	112	110	...
Ditto Deb., 1901	...	...	...	5½	...	...	...
Sirilambone Deb., 1902	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
BANKS.							
Australian J. S.	1,168,578	10	7½	...	8/9	8/	10/
City	240,000	10	8	4	72/	...	70/
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	74/	...	68/
Com. of Aus. pref	2,117,070	10	10	2	75	...	...
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	8	22½	22½	22½
N. S. Wales	1,946,946	20	20	9	35¼	35¼	35¾
Q'land National	280,000	5	6	...	...	...	...
R. Bank of Queensland	412,500	8	5½	2½	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	5	27½	...	...
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank. Class A	...	...	...	...	14/6	14/3	15/
Class B	...	...	...	...	10/4½	...	...
Ditto, Inscribed	391,141	...	...	...	12/3	10/	...
Com. of Aus., A series, 1898	5,535,065	...	...	...	17/6	17/6	...
Ditto series	...	...	...	...	16/	15/10	...
E. S. & A. series	...	...	...	...	15/	14/9	...
Ditto, Termi'ble	817,000	...	...	...	18/6	18/6	...
Ditto, Debentrs.	1,017,248	...	...	...	17/5	17/6	...
Inso., pref.	1,000,000	...	...	...	12/3	14/	...
Ditto, def.	1,000,000	...	...	...	...	12/	...
Nat. of Aust.	...	...	...	...	19/7½	...	...
Q'land National	6,013,000	...	...	...	...	...	...
STEAM.							
Illawarra	38,096	5	3½	8½	6	5¾	6¾
N. and H.R.	100,000	1	1	6	17/	17/3	17/9
North Coast	121,748	1	17/6	6	16/3	16/	16/6
N.S. Ferry	60,000	1	1	10	47/	46/6	48/
Port Jackson	55,900	5	66/	...	20/	14/	19/
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	25,000	1	5/	22½	20/	20/	21/
City M. Fire	15,000	1	2	10	3/	2/11	3/2
Mer. Mut.	26,250	1	3/6	15½	9/9	9/	10/
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	15	...	...	...
United	62,500	10	2½	12½	90/	90/	95/
Ditto, New	5,725	10	12/6	12½	20/6	20/	21/
GAS.							
Albury	7,500	...	...	10	14/3	14/	17/
Australian	681,798	6	6	9/	16¾	16½	16¾
City Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	44/6	...	46/
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	24/9	24/8	27/
Manly	15,000	1	1	7	24/	22/6	25/
Ditto, New	...	...	...	...	...	11/	...
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	6	18/6	18/3	19/
Newcastle	25,127	2	2	12½	97/6	97/6	105/
North Shore	80,000	1	1	6	26/6	26	29/9
Ditto, New	10,000	1	10	6	13/3	13/3	14/
BREWERIES.							
Australian	96,000	1	1	5	10/	9/	10/
Castlemaine and Wood Bros.	290,000	...	1	4	16/	15/6	16/6
Marshall's	31,250	10	5/	3	3/9	3/4	3/10
Perkins'	58,333	15	15/	10	...	...	...
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	23/3	23/6	24/6
MISCEL'ANEOUS.							
Aarons'	17,500	15/	10/	5	3/	2/9	...
Australian Newspaper	...	...	...	...	24/3	23/3	25/
B.H.W. Supply	186,500	1	1	10	17/	...	...
Burns, Philp	290,000	1	1	8	...	...	...
Ditto	17,500	1	5	8	...	...	...
Col. Sugar	1,702,000	20	20	10	29½	29½	30
Index Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	96	...	...
Eagle Tobacco	71,000	13	9/6	...	1/9	1/9	1/11
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	2½	...	5/	6/
Fresh F'd & Ice	109,000	1	18	8	18/2	...	...
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin	50,000	1	1	8	...	...	...
Ditto	50,000	1	10	8	10/9	...	...
Mont de Piété	73,407	1	1	10	34/3	34/	...
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2/6	4	1/9½	1/10	1/11
Perp. Trustee	25,000	10	5/	6	8/3	...	8/6
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	...	...	9/6	...
Richardson and Wrench	60,000	1	1	4	8/	...	9/
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15	...	...	4/2	4/10
Slv. Tram	197,888	1	1	50	103/	102/	104/
Syd. Exch.	20,000	10	10	7	14½	14	15
Syd. Hydr.	75,000	...	10/	10	21/6	21/3	...
Vo. Land Orders	...	...	...	...	125	...	...
Lane & Brum.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Haymark't Dep.	...	...	13/	...	...	...	...
Industrial Prov	100,450	...	...	6	...	18	20/
Intercolonial	32,904	20	...	10	12/9	12/6	13/
Excelsior Dep.	...	...	...	...	6/11	7/	7/6
Federal B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	13/	...
Syd. & Sub. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sydney Freehold	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

The leading features of the return of liabilities and assets in New South Wales of the Queensland National Bank for the past quarter are as follows, the corresponding figures for the preceding quarter being given in brackets:—Deposits not bearing interest, £25,601 [£24,713]; deposits bearing interest, £74,319 [£82,226]; coin and bullion, £115,240 [£149,018]; advances, £135,515 [£14,854].

To-day a meeting of debenture-holders and depositors who are shareholders and of debenture-holders and depositors who are not shareholders in the Metropolitan Mutual Permanent Building and Investment Association was held in the long-room of the Mercantile Mutual Insurance Company. Mr. J. B. Elphinstone presided. The scheme of arrangement, providing for a reduction of the rate of interest on debentures to £3 per cent. per annum, and for the deferring of payment for a further period of five years, and empowering the directors to accept debentures or deposit receipts in whole or in part payment for any property at the face value of the debentures or receipts, was submitted for the approval of the meeting. It was explained by the chairman that the falling-off in the income precluded the association from any longer paying the rate of 5 to 6 per cent. paid in the past, except by reducing the assets. After some discussion the motion for the adoption of the scheme was submitted to the two classes of debenture holders, and there voted for the motion, including proxies, 63 debenture-holders, for a total of £59,700, and against, four debenture-holders, including a proxy for £7025. It was announced that the scheme would be submitted for the confirmation of the Court on the 15th instant.

General and well-sustained competition continued to be a feature of the local wool sales of the Woolbrokers' Association to-day. At auction 3449 bales were offered, of which 3442 were sold, other business increasing the aggregate to 6115 bales. Anything fine sold in owners' favour, prices generally being strong at late rates. Medium wools were distinctly higher than the rates current last month. Greasies realised up to 9¼d, and scoureds to 15½d. At the Co-operative Wool and Produce Company's sales the highest price obtained for greasy wool was 10d.

Although the British public is informed by the Victorian correspondent of the "Economist" that "the prospect that Melbourne will resume the leading position it formerly held is becoming more assured," there are a few facts which point to the conclusion that Sydney may hold this position. These are the population and the bank figures, which may be taken to represent the commerce of the two ports:—

		March, 1891.	June, 1897.
Sydney—	Population	386,900	406,500
	Bank deposits	£35,414,000	£29,691,000
	Bank advances	£42,277,000	£38,301,000
	External trade	...	£29,474,000
Melbourne—	Population	490,896	452,298
	Bank deposits	£38,900,000	£29,467,000
	Bank advances	£51,208,000	£35,975,000
	External trade	...	£23,673,000

The mother city of Australia, by its free liberal policy, is greatly outgrowing its enterprising rival on the Yarra. In six years its population has increased 20,000, while that of Melbourne has declined 38,000. New South Wales bank deposits, which were 4½ millions less, are now a quarter of a million more than those of Victoria, and the colony's advances now exceed those of the Southern colony by two and a third millions, whereas in 1891 they fell short by nine millions sterling. And all this has occurred notwithstanding the administration of British capital by Anglo-Australian banking and monetary institutions in Melbourne. Under ordinary circumstances this should have contributed to strengthen Victorian interests, but through its management being under the influence of the "boom" excitement, it seriously damaged them, and also prejudiced those of New South Wales. Through being free from this spirit of enterprise, of which the incipient developments of renewal are indicated in the tone of the letter from which this paragraph is taken, Sydney has been spared from the extreme severity of the catastrophe resulting from the booming policy. We can only repeat the warning we have before given of the risk that Australia incurs through having its foreign capital administered from a centre so given to the practice of all kinds of illiberal and unsound policy. Bank managers and local directors can no more deliver themselves from their surroundings than other classes of the community. And if it once more is allowed to get into the heads of London finance magnates that Melbourne is "to resume the leading position it formerly held," then we think it will be at their own peril. Looking at the relative importance of the interests that centre in Sydney, at the sound public policy which its politicians have adopted, and at the comparative freedom from unwise speculative gambling enterprise of its people, and regarding further the substantial results of industrial and commercial development based on these conditions, British capitalists surely can hardly again be wooed into allowing their Australian investments to be controlled from any other quarter than the mother city of Australia. In New South Wales, as we have already said, we suffered greatly from outside control, and if British capitalists should again be induced by the Melbourne correspondent of the "Economist" to repeat their folly, then our business folk in New South Wales must seek a remedy. Possessing large and influential monetary institutions, with local control, they are not powerless to protect themselves.

On Tuesday we mentioned that the immediate future of the wool market was dependent largely on the activity of British and European commerce. The customs and excise statistics of the United Kingdom for the past six months indicate that the internal trade of the United Kingdom, supporting an increase of 11 per cent. in excise, is particularly active. The Continent has not so much interest as the United Kingdom to receive from foreign loans to spend on internal enterprises when the demands of foreign countries decline as they have declined this year. Still, foreign trade has this year been rather better with them. England in her prosperity has taken more goods from them, and the United Kingdom is an important factor in their industry. Trade on the Continent is thus also fairly brisk, and as the stores of woollen manufacturers were empty partly owing to the demands of American and Continental buyers as well as Yorkshiremen, they are now giving the fillip to the London market which we hope to see maintained until buyers from the United States come in more freely, as they will after the reduction of their present heavy stocks. Meantime it may be interesting to notice the extent of the British trade in woollen goods and fabrics as far as we can tell it from the Board of Trade returns for the year 1896. The imports, of course, are mainly the raw material, and the exports chiefly manufactured goods or partially manufactured cloths, stuffs, and yarns. The figures are as follow:—

—		Imports.	Exports.
Wool	quantity, lb.	713,678,000	334,408,000
	value	£24,936,800	£12,236,000
Woollen rags	quantity, lb.	89,174,000	...
	value	£691,800	...
Alpaca and Llama	lb.	4,962,000	...
	value	£295,758	...
Goats' wool	lb.	17,500,000	...
	value	£987,000	...
Goats' wool fabrics, mixed or not with other materials	value	£112,000	...
Other woollen cloth	yards	5,534,000	308,770
	value	£853,000	£52,294
Other stuffs	yards	81,912,000	6,907,000
	value	£5,842,172	£403,964
Unenumerated	value	£3,892,000	£188,113
Woollen yarn	yards	18,088,000	...
	value	£1,820,657	...
British and Irish Produce:			
Woollen tissues	yards	...	61,196,000
	value	...	£6,293,823
Worsted tissues	yards	...	156,929,000
	value	...	£8,557,400
Carpets	yards	...	8,284,000
	value	...	£878,000
Blankets	pairs	...	1,579,000
	value	...	£588,500
Other woollens	value	...	£2,160,700
Total woollen and worsted fabrics		...	£18,267,000
Woollen and worsted yarns	lb.	...	62,258,000
	value	...	£5,655,600
Alpaca and mohair yarns	lb.	...	9,234,000
	value	...	£1,457,000
Other hair or wool	lb.	...	5,436,000
	value	...	£109,000
British wool	lb.	...	18,058,000
	value	...	£718,000
Flocks and bag wool	lb.	...	923,000
	value	...	£328,000
Noils	lb.	...	11,073,000
	value	...	£578,000
Waste	lb.	...	3,057,000
	value	...	£100,000
Combed or carded and tops	lb.	...	18,126,000
	value	...	£1,161,000

With different descriptions of the material imported and exported it is difficult to say how much foreign wool the United Kingdom holds for its own consumption. What the figures show is that the United Kingdom imported raw wool and material to the value of £26,912,000, and woollen cloths, stuffs, and yarns to the amount of £12,590,000. On the other hand, she exported raw material to the value of £12,954,000, inclusive of £718,000 of British wool, and manufactured or partly manufactured wool to the value of £28,307,000, of which £645,000 is entered directly under the category of foreign and colonial wool, though it is possible that flocks and bag wool, noils, waste, and combed and carded tops, to the value of £2,174,000, also largely consist of foreign raw material. In the apparel and slops exported from the United Kingdom, valued at £5,227,810, some wool would be included. But much of the woollen goods exported are admittedly mixed with other fabrics. The mother country in 1896 had thus about £14,000,000 net imports of raw material and net exports of £15,717,000 of woollen fabrics and yarns, exclusive of what was contained in apparel.

IMPORT MARKET.

Business in general merchandise continued rather quiet to-day. In no line was there any special buoyancy manifested. Buyers of breadstuffs exhibited a tendency to hold off, and in consequence very little was done either in wheat or flour. Strangely enough, although our cable messages of late have advised a steady decline in wheat at Mark-lane, and this is quite borne out by San Francisco cables, wires have come to hand from New York advising an improvement in the market there, owing to strong buying on Continental account. Sugar moved off steadily without change of consequence. There was some further inquiry for China teas, and some good parcels changed hands. Groceries were not active, nor was there any inclination to operate in dried fruits, either old on spot or new to arrive. Liquors sold at recently current rates. Some good lines of cornsacks have been taken to arrive. Woolpacks ruled firm at recent figures. Metallic lines were quiet throughout at unaltered prices. Cables from New York advise a further and continuous rise in turps, the market still having an upward tendency. Supplies of turps afloat, however, bearing lower cost are ample. Further business has been done in American bicarbonate of soda, there being every indication of this line having come to stay.

Breadstuffs.—Wheat is being offered more freely, but buyers are slow to operate at current levels, which are nominally 4s 8d to 4s 8½d. A fair parcel changed hands at the former figure. Some country millers have reduced their prices and are rather anxious sellers. This is, however, by no means general, for while there are some timid holders others hold opinions of a very optimistic character. No. 1 hard spring wheat is cabled considerably higher from New York, being now quoted at 5s 4½d c.i.f. and ex. Sydney. Strong Continental buying is given as the cause of the rise. Flour remained at £12 10s for leading New South Wales brands, with £12 for second brands, £11 10s for Californian, and £13 to £13 10s for Manitoba.

The tendency of the intercolonial markets has of late been towards somewhat lower levels. In New South Wales the reduction in values during the past week has been less than in Victoria or South Australia. This, however, is easily accounted for. As mentioned some days back, whereas the price current for wheat at that time had to fall but 6½d in New South Wales to bring it to a shipping basis, the Victorian price had to fall 1s 7½d and the South Australian 1s 3½d to admit of shipping. This morning we learn that out of the 2287 bags of wheat offered at auction at Melbourne only 69 were sold, and that the Victorian Millers' Association has reduced its prices for flour by 10s per ton. The prices ruling in the various colonies may now be compared as follows:—

	Flour. Duty.	Flour. Price.	Wheat. Duty.	Wheat. To-day's Price.	Wheat. Last W'k's Price.
	£ s d	£ s d	s d	s d	s d
New South Wales	...	12 10 0	...	4 8	4 9
Victoria	5 15 0	14 10 0	1 6	5 6½	5 9½
South Australia	2 4 0	12 10 0	1 2½*	5 4	5 6

* Free, overland.

That wheat in Victoria has fallen 1d per bushel only, while in South Australia a decline of 2d has occurred, simply points to the fact that a pinch is more likely to occur in the former colony than in the latter.

The Adelaide Milling Company in their monthly circular report that during September the export of flour was 1277 tons, equivalent to 1852 tons of wheat, making the total export to date 18,450 tons. The import was 617 tons of wheat, making the total to date 28,824 tons. Regarding the Adelaide market it states:—

Wheat was in fair demand in the early part of the month and prices advanced to 5s 6d per bushel, but during the past week, millers' requirements being supplied, the price has receded to 5s 4d, with the probability of a further decline before long. The quantity now in this colony is very small, and it is quite possible that further importations will have to be made before the new crop is available. Flour had a ready sale in the first half of the month, and prices advanced to £13 10s for local requirements, while for export from £12 10s to £13 has been obtained.

"As we pointed out a month ago," says the latest issue of "Miller's Gazette," "the prospective deficiency in the European crop and the critically low condition of stocks in the importing countries and of the quantity afloat fairly warranted a higher level of prices, but there was no need whatever for the excitement in buying; as a matter of fact the prospective deficiency in the European crop has had less to do with the recent rise in values than probably the scarcity of available wheat in this country and on the continent. Buyers were probably blinded by the dazzling reports concerning the American crop, and persisted in abstaining from purchases, even after the French buyers had led the way, a sure sign that the French crop was proving unsatisfactory and deficient. The result is that English buyers have narrowly escaped a severe pinch. It is, however, to their credit that they have as a rule refused to follow the wild speculative movements in America, and they will probably reap the reward of merit by obtaining their supplies, for some time at any rate, below 40s, instead of, as at one time seemed probable, having to pay over 40s. Notwithstanding the evident deficiency in the European crop, a deficiency which may have to be modified later in the season, but which in any case is sure to be a large one, it may be taken for granted, we think, that 40s will attract all the wheat required for some time to come, at any rate. On the other hand there is sufficient in the general position of wheat this season—in its altered conditions, in fact—to warrant the expectation that the professional 'bears' will not have matters their own way, and that consequently there may be greater stability in prices. Two features stand prominently out this season. The first is that the importing countries will require more wheat this coming season than in any previous one—viz., probably 55 million quarters; and the second is that the exporting countries show no present signs of being able to supply that quantity."

Sugar.—Business was carried through at up to £18 15s for best whites, and to £17 10s for fine grainy yellows.

Tea.—Again China leaf came in for considerable attention, 300 light weights selling at 5½d, and 200 heavy weights at 4½d. The Taiyuan is due early next week with 700 tons of tea from Foochow for all ports. Ceylons had some inquiry also, sales aggregating 100 packages being made at from 6½d for pekoes up to 10d for broken pekoes. Private cables from Colombo state that a very small quantity of tea may be expected to reach this market next month owing to damage done to the railways. Presumably there have been floods on the island, though the cable throws no light on this point. Forty chests of Indians changed hands at 9d.

To-morrow (Friday) Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. will submit, at the Chamber of Commerce saleroom, 366 Ceylons and 450 Indians for Messrs. S. A. Joseph, Gollin and Co., and other importers. Messrs. Brown and Co.'s catalogue of teas ex China has unavoidably been held over, owing to the sample packages not yet being landed.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, &c.—Business in this department was quiet. 100 boxes of Swinborne's gelatine sold at agents' prices; small lots of asparagus, 8s 6d; Kruse's insecticide, 4s 6d to 4s 9d; and Vent's curry, ex next steamer, 6s 9d. Twenty-five cases of Van Houten's cocoa sold at 3s 0½d; 70 cases of L. and P.'s half-pint sauce, 10s 10½d, and 2 lines of 25 and 30 cases of Paw Paw sauce at agents' prices. Dried fruits were quiet and nominally unaltered.

Hardware.—No transactions of magnitude were reported. Prices of the leading lines were unaltered as follows:—Fencing wire, No. 8, £8 5s; No. 10, £8 12s 6d ex store; barbed wire, £13 5s; tinplates, 12s 9d for IC coke; bar iron, £8 5s; and wire nails, 25 per cent. off list.

Timber.—Negotiations are pending for further charters to bring Oregon to Sydney from the Pacific coast. Both freights and prime cost are higher, the advance in the latter being attributed to the scarcity of labour, owing to the goldfields rush.

Jute Goods.—Sales aggregating 300 bales of cornsales were made for September-October-November shipments from Calcutta at 4s 8d. Woolpacks went off steadily at 1s 5½d to 1s 7½d, according to weight. Branbags were placed at 3s 1½d to 3s 2d on spot.

Oils.—Kerosene was firm at the convention rates, more business being carried through. Turps, though quiet on spot, has again advanced in New York, having risen from 31 cents at bottom to 36½ cents on the 29th ultimo, and to 37½ cents f.o.b. New York to-day. This is equal to 2s 2½d c.i.f. and ex. Sydney. Castor remained at 2s 9d for cases, and 3s for drums. Linseed oil sold at 2s 2d, and 2s 4d for raw and boiled respectively.

Chemicals.—Cream of tartar has changed hands at 9¼d to 9½d for French. Operations have also been carried through for forward delivery. More business has been done in American bicarbonate of soda.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £5707. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £3192; wine, £245; ale, porter, and beer, £76; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £720; sugar and molasses, £616; opium, £90; dried and candied fruits, £154; preserves, £20; harbour and light rates, £54; pilotage, £35; harbour dues, £22; colonial distilled spirits, £27; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £204; excise on beer, £182. Total, £5707.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Tallow Market.—At Wednesday's auctions the supply offered was smaller, the quantity sold being quite insignificant. Prices in some instances declined 3d per cwt. Actual quotations are as follows:—Mutton, fine, 3d lower at 19s 9d; medium, ditto, unchanged, 17s 9d; beef, fine, 3d lower at 18s 3d; medium, ditto, unchanged, 17s 3d per cwt. Since the beginning of September the offerings and sales, together with the prices for medium qualities, range as follows:—

	Offered. Casks.	Sold. Casks.	Med. Mutton.	Med. Beef.
Sept. 1	2175	1575	18s 3d	17s 9d
Sept. 8	1725	1025	18s 6d	17s 9d
Sept. 15	2000	1200	18s 6d	17s 9d
Sept. 22	2000	1075	18s 9d	17s 9d
Sept. 29	2300	625	17s 9d	17s 3d
Oct. 6	1375	500	17s 9d	17s 3d

London Frozen Meat Market.—The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report the receipt of the following cable from London:—"Mutton market firm. Australian mutton: Merino, 2½d per lb.; crossbred, 2¾d per lb. Beef market weaker; forequarters and hindquarters are worth 2d and 2¼d per lb. respectively."

London Wool Sales.—The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report the receipt of a message, dated 6th instant, from their London office, as follows:—"Wool: Since close of last sales greasy, washed, and scoured merino super, greasy and washed merino medium and inferior, fine greasy, washed, and scoured crossbred, are ½d to 1d per lb. higher; scoured merino, medium and inferior, is 1d to 1½d per lb. higher; medium greasy, washed, and scoured crossbred, coarse greasy, washed, and scoured crossbred, greasy merino lambs, medium and inferior, and merino slipe are ½d per lb. higher. Other descriptions unchanged. The sales progress firmly. The total quantity catalogued to date is 89,000."

Dalgety and Co., Limited, advise receipt of the following cable from their London office dated yesterday:—"London Wool Sales.—Wool market active, and prices are well maintained."

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Habour to-day 4311 bales of wool were manifested, 388 arrived coastwise, and 587 bales were received by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Business is still quiet in breadstuffs. The only sale recorded is a small farmer's lot at 5s 2d. Wheat is quoted at 5s 4d at Port Adelaide. Flour, £13 to £13 5s for ordinary, and £13 10s for best roller. Bran, 1s 2½d. Oats, dun, 3s; white and Algerian, 3s 3d to 3s 6d nominal. Chaff, £5 10s to £5 15s.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Rather a dull market generally continues on the Stock Exchange, but about the late average volume of business was transacted. There is little change generally in investment stocks, but rather lower prices were accepted for Melbourne Tramway and Hydraulic Power. The Emu Bay railway allotment letters were out to-day, and shares had some inquiry in the outside market (not being yet listed on the Exchange) by applicants who wished to make up their number, but no business is reported. Sales were:—National Bank preference shares, £10 7s; Royal, 8s; Victoria Insurance, 42s; National Trustees, 9s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 12s 4½d, 12s 6d; Silverton Tramway, £5 2s; Melbourne Hydraulic Power, 18s 10d.

Wheat is dull and quotations nominal at 5s 8d to 5s 10d. Bran, 10d to 10½d. Good malting barley sold at 4s 3d, and fair malting at 3s 8d. About 1400 bags Algerian oats sold at 1s 4½d to 1s 5d for feed for export, and 1s 5½d to 1s 6d for fair milling. About 700 bags thin Tartarian sold up to 1s 5d. Maize is firm at 2s 8d. Good chaff, £3 10s to £3 15s; green chaff is scarce at £4. Ballarat potatoes, 57s 6d; onions, £10 to £10 10s. At the tea auction 180 packages Ceylon were offered. There was strong competition, and most lines showed a substantial advance. 143 chests were sold. Choice broken, 1s 1½d to 1s 3½d; medium broken, 8½d; pekoe and orange pekoe, 10½d to 11½d; pekoe souchong, 6½d to 7½d. Private tea sales cover 130 packages Ceylon at 9d to 10½d; 100 chests Indian up to 6¼d; 100 half-chests China at 4½d; 100 half-chests China at 5½d. There is a strong demand for Ceylon tea at 6d to 7d. Sago, £10 10s; tapioca, £11; white pepper, 7d; black pepper, 4½d; old currants, 5½d; new currants, to arrive per Australien, 5½d; elemes, to arrive per Augsberg, 7½d. 250 boxes sultanas on spot sold for export. Smith's new fresh herrings are selling to arrive at 5s 7½d for talls and 5s 9d for flats. Crook's cream of tartar, 10½d; tartaric acid, 1s 2½d. Whiting is firm up to £4. Cornsacks on spot, 4s 8d. 2500 cases kerosene sold to arrive.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

BALLINA, Thursday.

The Oakland cleared at 6.30 to-day for Sydney with the following cargo:—36 pine logs, 47,159ft. sawn timber, 160 bags maize, 47 cases eggs, 10 cases honey, 90 hides, 3 casks tallow, 6 cases bacon, 11 tons lard, 22 pigs.

The Electra also sailed for Sydney with 750 sacks sugar, 1370 boxes butter, 176 cases eggs, 6 coops poultry, 10,850ft. boxwood, 15 bags turnips, 6 cases bacon, 31 pigs, 12 cases honey, 7 bags bones, 62 hides, 2 cases fish.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Thursday.

Yesterday's business in the produce market will be found reported on page 2.

SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association report that wool sales were held to-day, Thursday, at the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, when the quantity catalogued totalled 3849 bales, and the sales amounted to 6115 bales, as under:—

Name.	Offered.	At Auction.	Privately ex Catalogue.	Uncatalogued.	Total Sales.
Winchcombe, Carson, and Co.	1157	1066	151	1000	2217
New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd.	1138	986	134	80	1200
John Bridge and Co., Ltd.	1554	1390	67	1241	2698
	3849	3442	352	2321	6115

Catalogues chiefly consisting of medium to good wools, but including a large number of choice samples, were submitted at to-day's sales. The attendance of buyers was the same as on the preceding days, and competition was general and well sustained throughout. The market must be quoted very strong at yesterday's rates, any fine quality or deep-stapled wools, if sound and fairly free, selling in owners' favour. Medium wools, 8½d to 7½d, too, moved slightly towards a higher level, and realised rates distinctly in advance of those of last month. Bulky skirtings were in extremely good demand, and values appeared in some instances disproportionate to the fleece prices. Crossbreds, both greasy and scoured, are firmer than at last sales. For good scoureds the market displayed great strength, very full prices being promptly forthcoming. To-day's sales were undoubtedly the best of the week, the demand at the close being particularly buoyant. Up to 9¼d was obtained for greasy, and 15½d for scoured. The just-mentioned figure, 9¼d, was secured for a very fine clothing wool marked DD over Mudgee, imperfectly skirted and in rather fatty condition. N over Ellerslie, from Dandaloo, a very beautiful soft wool, perfectly classed, sold to 9d for wethers, hoggets bringing 8½d and ewes 8d. First pieces brought the record price of 8d. A nice soft wool from Gunnedah, CL over Washpen, made 8½d, a farthing less being accepted for a well-skirted chalky wool from Hay marked GTE over M. DS in hexagon, from Girilambone, was quitted at 8d, the same price being secured for the wethers of JF over Ogilvie, a well-grown free wool, rather chalky, from Millie. PF over G in diamond, from Gulargambone, another line showing fine quality, light condition, and medium length, sold to 8½d, pieces making 7d. GNM over Borah, from Moree, a deep-stapled, sound, well-grown wool, made 8d. S reversed S over PV, from Collie, a fine bright wool, of good staple, sold to 7½d, pieces 6½d. GN over Blandford, of good quality, sound, and fair condition, brought 7½d, a farthing less being accepted for 93 bales AF over N, from Gilgandra, a fine light wool, of fair staple. TH over Stoney Crossing, from Brewarrina, a well-grown wool, in good condition, sold to 7½d for ewes, necks in very light condition bringing the same price as the fleece. S over Paradise Plains, from Hay, brought 7½d, as also did CAP conjoined over Boyd Park, from Byrock. Calga, from Gilgandra, of good staple, sound, light, in grease, and carrying a fair percentage of dust, realised up to 7d. NAG and Co. over Raby, a wellbred wool, from Warren, sold to 7d, at which price 45 bales were quitted. KAH over Wee Waa, of good staple, dry condition, and nice quality, also brought 7d. In scoureds the top price of the day, 15½d, was secured for JM over L, from Queensland. Corella, also from Queensland, of good quality, bulky and bright, realised 14½d for 23 bales first combing, pieces 13½d. W over Harlston, from Bourke, a bulky wool of good colour, realised 14d; TH over Stoney Crossing, from Brewarrina, a fine, bright wool, carefully got up, and a bulky wool from Goodooga, WLM over Mogila, each bringing 13½d. H Macnamara over CM over J Walsh Botany in heart, crossbred, scoured, bulky, bright, in fair condition, sold at 10½d.

The following were among the lots sold:—Greasy: Dun over DD over Darling Downs, 9 ewes at 7¾d; OT over WW, from New England, 4 ewes at 7¼d; DS in hexagon, from Girilambone, 5 at 8d; Walker over Pyrah, from Darling Downs, 15 at 7½d; WF over Tyrone, over Big Bimbie, from Millie, 6 hoggets and ewes at 7½d; CL over Washpen, from Gunnedah, 11 wethers, hoggets, and ewes at 8½d; 1 over DD over Long Swamp, from Collarendabri, 10 hoggets at 7½d, 16 wethers and ewes at 7¼d; PMF over West Bogan, from Coolabah, 47 hoggets and ewes at 7d; Three Spades, from Bourke, 51 at 6¾d; RD over Millawa, from Warren, 9 A ewes at 7½d, 11 hoggets at 7½d, 12 wethers at 7d, 19 ewes at 6¾d, 2 first pieces at 6d; N over Ellerslie, from Dandaloo, 6 hoggets at 8½d, 9 wethers at 9d, 17 ewes at 8d, 10 first pieces wethers and hoggets at 8d, 9 first pieces at 7½d, 17 second pieces at 6½d; H&S over Bundella, from Coonabarabran, 51 wethers at 6½d, 65 ewes at 6½d, 17 pieces at 4½d; M. Good over Weaner's Camp, from Bourke, 62 wethers and ewes at 6d; GTE over M, from Hay, 8 first combing at 9½d, 7 first clothing at 7½d; JF over Ogilvie, from Millie, 13 hoggets at 7½d, 7 wethers at 8d, 40 ewes at 7¾d; TS over ¾Budda, from Bourke, 21 wethers at 6½d; JW over Springvale, from Narrabri, 48 hoggets and ewes at 6d; S (reversed) S over PV, from Collie, 8 first combing hoggets and ewes at 7½d, 5 second combing hoggets and ewes at 7½d; JB, from Hay, 15 hoggets and ewes at 7½d; W. Kyle, from Carrathool, 17 ewes at 7½d; KF over Wambandry, from Warren, 14 super and first combing hoggets and ewes at 7¼d, 4 first clothing hoggets and ewes at 7½d; AF over N, from Gilgandra, 93 wethers, hoggets, and ewes at 7½d, 16 first pieces at 5½d; JB, from Gilgandra, 6 hoggets at 7½d, 15 ewes and wethers at 7½d; WFJ, from Pilliga, 12 wethers, hoggets, and ewes at 7½d; GN over Blandford, 15 at 7½d; WW, from Trangie, 33 hoggets at 6½d; Calga, from Gilgandra, 57 AA wethers and ewes at 7d, 51 A wethers and ewes at 6¾d, 47 CC ewes and wethers at 6½d, 115 B wethers, hoggets, and ewes at 6½d, 100 B wethers and ewes at 6d; Eulalia, from Coonamble, 18 first combing ewes at 6d; Eville over Toorak, from Byrock, 19 ewes at 6½d; JS in diamond over Moorland, from Brewarrina, 31 second combing B in diamond and hoggets at 6½d, 26 first clothing A hoggets and wethers at 6¼d, 31 first and second clothing B ewes at 6¼d; TH over Stoney Crossing, from Brewarrina, 18 first combing ewes at 7½d; PF over G in diamond, from Gulargambone, 10 AA wethers at 8½d, 13 AA hoggets and ewes at 7½d, 8 A ewes and wethers at 7½d, 12 B ewes, hoggets, and wethers at 7½d, 6 broken wethers, hoggets and ewes at 7d; MH over Burren, from Wee Waa, 15 AI hoggets at 6½d, 25 AI ewes at 6½d; KAH over Wee Waa, 5 first hoggets at 7d, 20 hoggets and ewes at 7d; GNM over Borah, from Moree, 6 first combing ewes and hoggets at 8d; Cap conjoined over Boyd Park, 18 first combing ewes and wethers at 7½d; DD over Mudgee, 6 at 9¼d; NAG and Co. over Raby, from Warren, 45 first wethers and ewes, and wethers and ewes at 7d, 41 crossbred hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 6¾d; WAM over WW, 48 crossbred at 6½d. Scoured: W over Harlston, from Bourke, 25 wethers at 14d; TH over Stoney Crossing, 7 super ewes and ewes and wethers at 13½d, 4 bellies at 13½d; WLM over Mogila, from Goodooga, 21 AIB combing ewes at 13½d, 5 clothing ewes at 13½d, 17 broken ewes at 13d, 8 pieces ewes at 12d; Corella, from Queensland, 23 first combing at 14½d, 9 first pieces at 13½d; ES over Bartian Graag, 9 first clothing at 13d; RKJ, from Queensland, 10 first combing at 12½d, JM over L, from Queensland, 4 clothing at 15½d; Redbank over JMM, 24 first at 14½, 22 second at 14½d, 16 first pieces at 13½d, 7 second pieces at 12½d; ECE, 61 first combing at 11½d; AK, 19 first at 12½d.

FAT STOCK SALES.

THE HOMEBUSH YARDS.

Sheep.—18,945 were yarded, the quality generally being good to prime. Shorn sheep were more in evidence than usual. The market opened firm to a good attendance of buyers, and, though at times values were a little irregular, no material alteration can be quoted, the market finishing up strong. Lambs were more moderately supplied, and were in good demand at advanced prices. Prime crossbred wethers to 14s, extra to 15s 6d, shorn to 10s 6d; good crossbred wethers, 11s 6d to 12s 6d; medium crossbred wethers, 9s 6d to 10s 6d; prime crossbred ewes, to 11s 6d, shorn to 9s 10d; good crossbred ewes, 9s 6d to 10s 6d; prime merino wethers, to 13s; good merino wethers, 11s to 12s; medium merino wethers, 9s to 10s; prime merino ewes, to 11s 3d, shorn to 7s; good merino ewes, 8s to 10s; medium merino ewes, 7s to 8s; prime lambs, woolly, to 11s 9d; good lambs, woolly, 9s 6d to 10s 6d; prime lambs, suckers, to 9s 6d, few 11s; good lambs, suckers, 7s 6d to 8s 6d.

Cattle.—628 were yarded, comprising about 370 from North, 100 from West, and 120 from Queensland; no Southern cattle forward. The quality generally was good, with a fair proportion of prime. The market opened to a good attendance, but the supply being more in keeping with the requirements, values, though fairly good, were again lower. Prime yards of bullocks to £8 11s, extra to £9 10s; good yards of bullocks at £6 to £7; medium yards of bullocks at £4 to £5; prime yards of cows to £5 2s; good yards of cows at £4 to £4 10s; medium yards of cows from £3.

Messrs. Wilkinson and Lavender.—43 wethers for G. T. Esplin at 13s 4d, 104 at 10s 11d, 84 ewes at 11s 3d, 128 at 9s 8d, 13 at 9s 1d, 2 wethers (injured) at 8s; 42 crossbred shorn wethers for Messrs. Mack and Austin at 10s 8d, 46 at 9s 7d, 142 crossbred shorn ewes at 8s 8d to 9s 10d, 60 at 8s, 1 shorn wether (injured) at 7s 6d, 4 crossbred lambs at 10s 4d, 2 at 8s 6d; 8 sheep for J. M'Dowall at 9s 10d, 1 crossbred ewe at 10s 8d, 14 shorn ewes at 8s 11d, 5 suckers at 7s 8d, 1 lamb at 7s 8d, 9 shorn lambs at 9s 5d, 48 at 10s 4d, 56 stags for J. Donohoe at 11s 1d, 4 suckers at 8s, 1 lamb at 8s, 26 suckers at 9s 3d; 5 wethers for J. Campbell at 12s 1d, 16 ewes at 9s 3d to 9s 4d, 3 (injured) at 8s, 30 suckers at 9s 6d; 94 bullocks for F. W. Armytage to £7 8s, averaging £6 11s 8d, 26 cows to £5 5s, averaging £4 18s 6d.

Messrs. Weaver and Perry.—655 shorn wethers for S. Beveridge at 6s 9d to 7s 1d; 58 lambs for R. J. Pollock at 11s 9d, 31 hoggets at 12s 6d; 340 wethers for W. Nicholl, 7 ewes, 4 lambs; 29 bullocks for E. R. White to £4 17s, averaging £4 13s 9d, 1 cow at £3 10s.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—18 cows for G. W. Dight to £5 4s, averaging £5 0s 6d, 33 to £5 2s, averaging £4 18s 9d; 30 heifers for F. Jeffrey to £4 15s, averaging £4 6s 4d; 26 wethers for W. Humphries at 11s 9d, 37 ewes at 11s 8d, 21 at 8s 11d, 1 (injured) at 7s 1d; 19 crossbred wethers for T. P. Willsallen at 13s 4d, 85 (shorn) at 10s 1d to 10s 5d, 273 at 9s 6d to 9s 9d, 1 crossbred ewe at 9s 5d; 85 wethers for executors late R. Cox at 12s 10d, 415 at 11s 7d to 12s, 12 at 10s 9d, 2 crossbred wethers at 12s 3d, 4 stags at 10s 5d; 772 wethers for T. R. Jackson at 11s 4d to 11s 6d, 106 at 9s 9d to 9s 10d, 29 ewes at 9s 10d; 430 wethers for H. Colless at 10s 8d to 10s 11d; 2 crossbred rams for L. R. Smith at 10s, 26 rams at 9s 6d to 9s 8d, 7 at 8s 9d; 32 wethers for J. R. Hart at 9s, 305 ewes at 8s 5d to 8s 7d, 1 (shorn) at 4s 8d; 2 wethers for D. Duff at 9s, 111 wethers (shorn) at 7s, 128 at 5s 9d to 5s 10d, 30 ewes (shorn) at 6s 6d; 138 wethers (shorn) for W. Miller at 7s 7d to 7s 9d, 1 ewe (shorn) at 6s; 4 suckers for W. Humphries at 8s; 3 suckers for W. Miller at 8s; 62 hoggets for L. R. Smith at 8s 4d, 5 at 8s 10d.

Messrs. Joseph Leeds and Co.—6 Lincoln wethers for R. Rouse at 12s 10d, 161 crossbred wethers at 9s 7d to 10s 2d, 190 at 9s 10d, 61 (stained) at 8s to 8s 1d, 1 (crippled) at 8s, 1 (crippled) at 4s; 35 crossbred wethers for J. Fagan at 12s 9d, 87 at 11s 4d, 61 crossbred ewes at 11s, 44 merino wethers at 10s 6d, 57 merino ewes at 9s 11d, 82 crossbred ewes at 9s 3d, 3 wethers and ewes (crippled) at 7s 6d; 555 merino wethers for Peppin and Webber at 10s 5d, 310 merino wethers at 8s 11d, 350 merino ewes at 8s 5d, 148 at 7s 7d to 7s 11d, 1 merino wether (crippled) at 7s, 1 ewe (crippled) at 6s; 34 merino wethers for F. M. V. Curr at 10s, 43 at 8s 3d; 13 lambs for R. Rouse at 11s 7d, 24 crossbred lambs at 11s, 15 lambs at 10s 4d; 10 lambs for J. Fagan at 10s 11d; 22 crossbred lambs (shorn) for E. M. V. Curr at 7s 7d to 7s 8d.

Messrs. Henderson Brothers.—161 lambs for Western agents at 9s 3d; 28 bullocks for Western agents.

Messrs. Warden Harry Graves and Son.—84 crossbred wethers for Guest Brothers at 13s, 56 at 12s 3d, 49 merino wethers at 12s, 239 crossbred ewes at 11s 6d, 56 at 9s 9d, 1 (lame) at 8s 9d, 2 lambs at 10s; 184 merino wethers for J. H. Spiller at 12s 5d, 60 at 10s 9d, 162 merino ewes at 9s 8d, 59 at 8s 7d, 1 (lame) at 6s 8d; 49 young merino wethers (shorn) for Ryder Brothers at 9s 8d, 1217 at 7s 11d to 8s, 80 at 7s to 7s 1d, 1048 merino maiden ewes (shorn) at 7s, 71 at 6s 4d to 6s 5d; 29 lambs for W. Nott, sen., at 10s 8d, 93 at 9s 11d, 37 at 9s 6d, 141 hoggets at 9s 6d.

Messrs. J. C. Young and Co.—11 bullocks for T. B. Black to £4 17s, averaging £4 7s 2d; 14 crossbred wethers for C. Boyd at 15s 8d, 61 at 12s; 85 merino wethers for M. Howard, from 11s 4d to 11s 8d, 84 wethers from 10s 5d to 10s 7d, 5 stags at 11s, 1 lamb at 9s; 87 wethers for A. J. M'Innes at 9s 2d, 111 wethers at 9s 4d.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co.—90 crossbred wethers for Brooke Brothers at 13s 4d to 14s, 99 at 11s 3d to 11s 5d, 153 crossbred ewes at 11s 2d to 11s 5d, 53 (seconds) at 9s 11d; 7 crossbreds for E. W. Jeffery at 11s 4d, 100 merino wethers at 10s 11d, 28 (seconds) at 10s 2d; 515 merino wethers for J. Lehane, jun., at 10s 9d to 10s 10d, 112 (seconds) at 9s 4d; 3 merino wethers for Litchfield Brothers at 12s 1d, 204 merino ewes at 9s 6d, 62 (seconds) at 9s 5d to 8s 9d; 33 crossbred ewes for Northern agents at 9s 10d, 149 merino wethers at 9s 11d, 66 merino ewes at 9s 10d to 9s 11d; 812 merino wethers for James Low at 9s 7d to 9s 9d, 225 (seconds) at 8s 3d; 45 merino wethers for W. Parkinson at 9s 9d to 9s 2d, 15 (seconds) at 8s 7d, 146 merino ewes at 8s 4d to 8s 7d; 16 shorn wethers for J. C. Ryrie at 8s 8d, 188 shorn merino ewes at 8s 7d to 8s 10d; 1 merino lamb for Brooke Brothers at 11s 8d, 2 crossbred lambs at 10s 7d; 123 merino lambs for E. W. Jeffery at 10s 10d, 11 crossbred lambs at 10s 4d, 10 at 9s 7d, 8 lambs at 9s 4d; 161 lambs for W. Parkinson at 7s 3d, 53 at 6s 9d, 20 at 6s; 2 lambs for Northern agents at 9s 11d. Cattle: 108 bullocks estate R. Hill, to £7 15s, averaging £6 10s 10d; 1 bullock for Burgess Brothers, averaging £7 14s, 35 to £6 10s, averaging £6 7s 3d; 49 bullocks for Doyle Brothers to £6 16s, averaging £6 9s, 1 bullock (injured), averaging £4 10s; 63 bullocks for A. Amos to £7 4s, averaging £6 2s 10d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—130 wethers for Messrs. Hertel Brothers at 13s, 280 at 11s 9d, 125 at 9s 2d to 9s 5d, 15 ewes at 9s 7d, 8 rams at 8s 6d; 86 wethers for Mrs. C. Campbell at 10s 5d to 10s 11d, 4 rams (shorn) at 5s 9d; 838 wethers for A. A. Dangar at 10s to 10s 7d; 173 wethers for A. E. A. Morrice at 9s 10d to 11s, 23 ewes at 8s 5d, 2 (cripples) at 6s, 1 wether at 5s; 117 crossbred wethers (shorn) for Horrigan Brothers at 9s 7d, 117 at 9s 5d to 9s 1d, 135 crossbred ewes (shorn) at 8s 7d; 10 lambs (suckers) for Mrs. C. Campbell at 10s 9d, 107 at 7s 7d, 1 (cripple) at 5s; 8 bullocks for W. Onus at £8 11s, 79 to £6 18s, averaging £6 10s 1d; 2 cows for M. Glancy at £4 5s; 1 cow for J. Hinchey at £4; 2 cows for J. B. Stockwell at £3 2s.

Messrs. Maiden Brothers.—16 crossbred wethers for Messrs. Oates Brothers at 12s 5d, 1 (stained) at 10s 7d, 20 crossbred ewes at 10s 7d, 246 merino wethers at 11s 10d, 26 (seconds) at 10s 9d to 11s; 37 merino wethers for Messrs. Ward Brothers at 12s 7d, 13 (seconds) at 10s 6d, 152 merino ewes at 10s 4d, 41 (seconds) at 9s 10d, 11 mixed (injured) at 7s, 1 ewe (lame) at 6s; 244 merino wethers for M. E. Ward at 10s 10d, 77 at 10s 7d, 46 at 9s 7d to 9s 9d, 1 crossbred wether at 11s 7d, 1 at 10s 1d; 134 merino wethers for E. L. M'Donnell at 11s 9d, 26 at 10s 10d, 82 (seconds) at 9s 5d, 5 (shorn) at 7s 10d, 3 shorn rams at 7s, 30 shorn merino ewes at 9s 1d; 25 lambs (suckers) for J. Clay at 11s, 29 at 9s 9d, 24 at 8s 3d, 45 (shorn) at 9s 7d, 35 crossbred shorn lambs at 8s 1d to 9s 6d, 10 shorn merino lambs at 8s 7d, 7 hoggets (shorn) at 9s 5d; 16 bullocks for Bulla Bulla station to £9 10s, averaging £8 10s 3d.

THE CITY YARDS.

Fat Calves.—108 calves penned this week, the quality generally being good, and included some very prime and heavy drafts from Breeza. Market opened without any animation to a small attendance of the trade, but the limited supply soon caused buyers to liven up and prices to harden, closing sales having a decided upward tendency. Quotations: Extra prime and weighty two-year-olds and yearlings, 60s to 69s; prime weighty yearlings, 48s to 53s; good and heavy, 39s 6d to 45s; prime young vealers, 36s to 42s; good ditto, 27s to 34s 6d; medium heavy, 25s to 31s; poddies, 16s to 25s; others from 12s 6d.

Fat Pigs.—1717 pigs forward this week, a larger proportion than usual consisting of porkers. Western Australian buyers were again in the market, and helped materially to keep up late exceptionally high prices. Baconers, if anything, had a tendency to harden, it being an easy matter to obtain 3d per lb. for any lots weighing from 100lb. to 160lb. Porkers, on the other hand, held well until Wednesday's sales, when a slightly lower range of values had to be accepted to effect a clearance. Quotations: Big heavy backfat pigs, 65s to 90s; prime and heavy baconers, 58s to 65s; good, 45s to 53s; medium, 37s to 43s; light from 32s 6d; best porkers to 28s 6d; good, 21s to 25s; others from 15s. Stores: Scarcely any coming forward, and what are offered are quickly snapped up at exceedingly high prices, the demand far exceeding the supply. Big-framed forward sorts, 20 to 25s; good strong frame, 12s 6d to 16s 6d; others from 9s 6d.

The South Coast and West Camden Co-operative Company, Limited, report having sold the following consignments of pigs:—30 from Stroud to £2 12s 6d, averaging £2 7s 6d; 55 from South Coast to £3 18s, averaging £2 14s 9d; 43 from Manning River to £3 8s, averaging £2 12s; 21 from Byron Bay to £3 2s, averaging £2 19s; 11 from Richmond River to £3 11s, averaging £3 2s; 17 from Macleay River to £2 10s, averaging £2 2s 6d; 7 from Hastings River to £1 14s 6d, averaging £1 12s 6d; 10 from Brunswick River to £2 13s 6d, averaging £1 14s 3d; 53 store pigs ex rail to £1 12s, averaging 18s 9d; and several consignments of sucking pigs from 6s to 8s 9d per head.

Messrs. J. C. Young and Co.—139 pigs from the Hunter, Patterson, and South Coast district, making from 14s 6d to 59s 6d.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co.—92 calves from Breeza to £3 7s, averaging £2 8s; also nearly 500 fat pigs, comprising the following lots:—202 from the South Coast to £4 1s, making the extraordinarily good average of £2 5s 7d per head; 45 from the Richmond River to £4 4s; 49 from the Clarence River to £4 1s; 46 from the Macleay River to £3 8s; 27 from the Bellinger River to £2 18s 6d; 23 from the Manning River to £2 8s; 30 from the Nambucca River to £2 7s; 25 from Port Macquarie to £2; and other small drafts at full rates.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, report having sold 1 fat calf from Grafton at 60s, and 34 (small) from Braxton to 34s 6d, averaging 22s 6d; also various lots of pigs, averaging 29s 6d.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. report at their Sydney Stock Salesyards.—Milch cows, £1 15s to £6 15s; dry cows, 14s to £2 1s; fat cows, £2 5s to £5 14s. Fat calves: 23 (Robinson), 17s 6d to 54s; 20 (various), 8s 9d to 40s each. Fat pigs: 30 (Dixon), 19s to 69s 6d; 70 (Poulton), 20s to 50s; 50 (Herbert), 11s to 43s; 15 (Matthews), 18s to 28s; 50 (various), 13s to 70s. Store pigs: 126 (M'Phee), 9s 3d to 11s each; 39 (Little), 14s to 21s each.

MAITLAND FAT STOCK SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The usual fat stock sales were held at Campbell's Hill today. There was a large attendance of the trade. Fat cattle were fairly well supplied. The demand was active for prime qualities, but values were slightly easier. Best bullocks, £5 15s to £6 14s; good, £4 10s to £5; medium, £3 10s to £4; light and inferior, £2 5s to £3 5s. Cows were forward in light supply. The demand was extremely brisk, excellent prices being received. Best, £5 10s to £6 1s; good, £4 5s to £4 17s 6d; others, £2 15s to £3 10s. Fat calves in large supply. Competition was extremely brisk, and late prices were well maintained. Best, 35s to 49s 6d; good, 28s to 32s; medium, 15s to 25s; light and others, 6s to 10s 6d. Fat sheep in light supply, limited demand, values without alteration on late rates. Best crossbred wethers, 10s 9d to 12s 10d; good, 8s to 9s 6d; ewes, 9s 11d; best merino wethers, 9s to 10s; good, 7s 6d to 8s; ewes, 8s to 8s 4d; shorn wethers, 4s 10d to 9s 7d. Fat and store pigs were in large supply. Competition was very brisk, and late high rates were well maintained. Best baconers, 60s to 74s; good, 42s to 52s; medium, 30s to 38s; prime porkers, 24s to 29s 6d; good, 17s 6d to 22s; medium, 12s 8d to 16s 6d; stores and slips, 5s to 10s 6d.

MAITLAND HIDE AND SKIN SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The regular sales of hides and skins was held at Campbell's Hill to-day. In the hide section there were large supplies forward to a good attendance of the trade, competition was particularly brisk, and values were slightly in advance of last week's rates. Best heavy hides made from 18s to 23s 6d; good from 15s to 17s 6d; medium, 12s to 14s; light from 8s 6d to 11s; yearlings from 3s 3d to 5s 6d; calfskins from 6d to 2s 6d. Sheepskins: The supplies were large, and with additional buyers from the metropolis, competition was extremely brisk, and prices realised were equal to last week's high rates. Best made from 5s to 6s; good, 4s 3d to 4s 11d; medium, 3s 3d to 3s 9d; light and inferior, from 1s to 3s; pelts, 11d to 1s 11d.

HUNTER RIVER FARMERS' PRODUCE SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The usual weekly sales of Hunter River farmers' produce were held to-day. There were very large supplies forward to an excellent attendance of buyers. Biddings were brisk, and values a shade better than last week's quotations. Butter, made from 6d to 9d per lb; eggs, 5½d to 6d per dozen; cheese, 3d to 4d per lb; bacon, 5½d to 7d per lb; hams, 6d to 8d per lb; lard, 3d to 5d per lb; carcase pork, 3d to 3½d per lb; beef, 2d to 3d; mutton, 1½d to 2d per lb; live pigs, from 2s 6d to 12s each; honey, 2½d to 3d per lb, small tins 2s to 2s 3d; millet brooms, 5s 6d to 8s per dozen; lucerne seed, 5d to 7d per lb; sorghum seed, 2½d to 4d per lb; potatoes, £5 to £6 per ton; onions, 9s to 12s per cwt.; turnips, per bag 1s 3d to 1s 9d, bunches 1d to 1½d; cauliflowers, 6d to 1s 6d per dozen; cabbage, 6d to 2s 6d per dozen; peas, 4d to 6d per peck; beans, 4d to 6d per peck; chilies, 6d to 10d per bag; pumpkins, 1s 6d to 2s 3d per dozen; grammas, 4s to 5s per dozen; oranges, 1½d to 8d per dozen; lemons, 2d to 7d per dozen; apples, 2s 6d to 6s per case; bananas, 4d to 6d per dozen; loquats, 2d to 3d per quart; passionfruit, 3d to 5d per dozen. Poultry: Fowls, 2s 6d to 4s per pair; ducks, 3s to 3s 9d per pair; geese, 4s to 5s per pair; turkeys, 10s to 12s per pair; pigeons, 10d to 1s. Hay: Lucerne 20s to 40s per ton, oaten 30s to 60s per ton, wheaten 45s to 50s per ton; chaff 2s 6d to 3s 6d per bag; pollard, 4s to 4s 6d per cwt.; bran, 4s to 4s 3d per 100lb; maize, 2s 8d to 2s 9d per bushel.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

An improvement was noticeable in the Mining market yesterday, Western Australian gold stocks again overshadowing everything else. Coal companies were without exchange, quotations remaining without alteration. Copper had rather less notice than of late, there being no material change in values, except that North Nymagee shares were quoted the turn lower. Block 10 was the only Broken Hill silver company having exchange, and realised a firmer rate, five Tasmanian silver-copper ventures also having business, but the market for silver generally closed with an inclination to weakness. Local gold stocks had very little notice and closed quiet. Victorian lines were neglected, and only three Queensland mines found buyers, the feature being the firmness of Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, and of Columbia and Smithfield. Western Australian scrip again had a large turnover, prices generally remaining steady, both for high and low priced stocks.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.			Boulder North Extended	2/11	—
Hetton	...	40/	Boulder North West	1/1	1/4
Newcastle	20/	...	Brown Hill Central	2/3	2/6
Stockton	3/9	3/11	Brown Hill, Junction	5/9	...
Vale of Clwydd	8	...	Coolgardie Mint and Iron King	32/	...
Wallsend	21/12/6	22/5/	Croesus Extended	6d	1/
Wickham and Bullock Island	11/	12/	Gen. Gordon, con.	1/1	2/2
Ditto, new	5/2	6/	Golden Zone	6/3	6/9
COPPER.			Ditto, con.	—	5/
Burra Burra	—	4/4	Golden Horseshoe	5 7/6	5 14/
Ditto, con.	10d	1/	Great Boulder	9 14/	10 0
Girilambone	2/6	3/	Hannan's Block 45	11/	12/
Lake George Mines	—	7/	Hannan's Central Extended	3/6	3/8
Lake George Proprietary	—	4	Hannan's Eureka	1/1	1/5
North Nymagee	5/	5/6	Hannan's Pride of the Valley	1/	1/1
SILVER.			Hannan's Reward N.	4/	4/9
Broken Hill Proprietary	45/6	46/6	Imperial Boulder	6/4	7/
Block 10	75/	—	Ditto South Extended	5/4	...
Block 14	25/	—	Ivanhoe Junction	2/	2/2
Junction Consolidated	—	1/9	Kalgoorlie Bank of England	—	50/
North Central	2d	5d	Kalgoorlie Proprietary	3/7	3/9
Overflow	4/4	...	Lake View Consols	9 15	10 0/
Ditto, con.	—	1/6	Lake View South	55/	56/6
Curtin and Davis	9/9	10/3	LakeView Ex.	—	25/6
Clifton	—	9/1	Maritana	—	5/6
Central Lyell	2/	2/7	Maritana Extended	—	11d
King Lyell, paid	—	2/11	Melbourne United	4/	4/3
GOLD.			Norseman, pd.	—	2/
Birthday, paid	—	3/3	Premier South	—	3/
Cobar Great Western	2/6	3/	Princess Margaret	5/	6/
Falkner's	8/	9/2	Queensland Menzies, pd.	13/6	14/
Mount David, paid	—	4/6	Reefer's Eureka, con.	12/	13/
Mt. Drysdale	—	4/	Royal Mint South, con.	6d	—
Mount Gahan	—	2/8			
Newbridge	6d	7½d			
Peak Hill	—	2/6			
Ditto, con.	1/6	1/9			
Sunlight	—	8/			
West Sunlight	—	3/			
Ditto, con.	1/	2/			
Columbia Smithfield	19/	19/6			
Mt. Morgan	78/	...			
Associated	82/	83/			
Boulder Central Ext.	—	1/9			
Boulder Consols No. 1	4/4	5/1			
Boulder Half-mile South	2/5	2/9			

The following sales were reported:—Morning—Copper: Girilambone, 30s. Silver: Overflow, paid up, 4s 4d, 4s 6d, 4s 4d, 4s 4d, 4s 6d; Curtin and Davis, 10s 6d; Hercules, cum rights, 37s; Mount Black, contributing, 4s 9d. Gold: Newbridge, 6½d, 6d; Columbia and Smithfield, 19s; Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, 9s 3d; Victoria G. M. Association, 6s 9d; Associated Gold Mines, 84s, 83s; Coolgardie Mint and Iron King, 32s; Golden Zone, contributing, 4s 2d; Ivanhoe, £14 5s; Ivanhoe Junction, 2s 1d; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 3s 5d; Kalgurli Gold Mines, £6 1s 3d; Lake View South, paid up, 54s 6d, 54s 6d; South Kalgurli, 63s. Noon—Copper: Burra Burra, contributing, 10d, 11d. Silver: B. H. Block 10, 77s; Curtin and Davis, 10s 3d; Great Mount Black, contributing, 1s 5d, 1s 5½d, 1s 7d, 1s 6d, 1s 6d, 1s 5d, 1s 5d, 1s 5½d. Gold: Falkner's, 9s 1d; Mount David, paid up, 4s 2d; Great Boulder, £9 16s; Hannan's Pride of the Valley, 1s 0½d, 1s; Hannan's Central Extended, 3s 7d; Ivanhoe, South Extended, 5s 7d; North Kalgurli, 44s, 44s; Reefer's Eureka, contributing, 12s 6d. Afternoon—Copper: Burra Burra, contributing, 10d; Girilambone, 30s; North Nymagee, 5s 6d. Gold: Associated Gold Mines, 83s, 82s 6d; Hannan's Pride of the Valley, 1s 1d; Imperial Boulder, 6s 6d; Ivanhoe Junction, 2s 1d.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Copper: Burra Burra, contributing, 11d; Girilambone, 30s 4d; Lake George North Mines, 3s 2d, 3s 5d; North Nymagee, 5s 6d, 5s 6d; Silver: North Central, 4d; Great Mount Black, contributing, 1s 5½d; King Lyell, contributing, 1s 5d. Gold: Central Plateau, 27s 9d; Columbia and Smithfield, 19s; No. 2 South Great Eastern, 21s 3d, 21s 6d; Hannan's Pride of the Valley, 1s 1½d; Hannan's Oroya, 42s 5d; Imperial Boulder, 6s 6d; Lake View South, paid up, 56s; Melbourne United, paid up, 4s 1½d.

The following telegram from the mining superintendent of Victory Forest Reefs was posted yesterday on 'Change:—"Driven on wash to date 60ft. Splendid wash in face; last four dishes gave equal to 1¼oz. per load. Gold coarser."

Mr. Orlando Daly was yesterday elected a vestibule member of the Sydney Stock Exchange.

We are informed by the legal manager of the Princess Margaret Gold-mining Company, No Liability, Bulong, that the 10,000 reserved shares in the company which were offered to the shareholders have all been taken up by them and duly allotted.

QUARTERLY GOLD RETURN.

A FINE INCREASE.

Some time ago the Minister for Mines, Mr. Sydney Smith, promised to have quarterly returns made of the amount of gold produced in New South Wales. A return giving the quantity and value of gold produced in this colony for the three quarters of the present year ended on September 30 last has now been issued by the Mines Department. It shows the yield to be as follows:—

—	Quarter ended March 31. Oz.	£	Quarter ended June 30. Oz.	£	Quarter ended Sept. 30. Oz.	£
Total yield for the quarter	63,633	238,611	63,616	238,786	94,991	351,895

From the foregoing figures it will be seen that the yield for the last quarter exceeds the best of the two previous quarters by 31,358oz. The total yield for the present year to September 30 is 222,240oz., or only 73,813oz. less than the total yield for the year 1896. As the yield during the last quarter of the year is invariably the largest of the year owing to the general cleaning-up that takes place about the mines before the Christmas holidays, and the fact that the output for the last quarter of 1896 was 98,510oz., it may safely be predicted that the yield for 1897 will exceed that of 1896 by at least 30,000oz.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—B. H. Proprietary, 45s 6d, buyer 45s 6d; Junction North, 23s 9d, 24s, buyer 24s; Menzies' Barossa, 1s 9½d, seller 1s 11d; Associated Gold Mines, 81s 6d, 80s 6d, 82s 9d, 83s 6d, buyer 83s 6d, seller 84s; Ben Lomond, 1s, buyer 11d, seller 1s; Black Prince, 3d, buyer 2½d, seller 3½d; Hannan's Block 45, 11s 7½d, 11s 10½d, buyer 11s 10½d, seller 12s 3d; Bonnie Charlie, 2s 2d, 2s 3d, 2s 2d, buyer 2s 1½d, seller 2s 2d; Boulder Central, paid, 18s, buyer 18s; Boulder Central contributing, 17s, 16s 9d, 17s, buyer 17s, seller 17s 6d; Boulder Central Extended, 1s 8d, 1s 6d, seller 1s 6d; Boulder Consols No. 1, 4s 5d, 4s 7d, 4s 6d, 4s 10d, 4s 9d, buyer 4s 8d, seller 4s 10d; Boulder Half-mile South, 2s 7d, 2s 10d, 2s 9d, buyer 2s 9d, seller 2s 10d; Brookman's Boulder, 28s, 27s 6d, buyer 27s, seller 28s; Boulder North-west, 1s 2½d, buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 4d; Boulder North Extended, 3s, 2s 11d, 3s 4d, 3s 3d, 3s 4½d, buyer 3s 4d, seller 3s 6d; Brown Hill Junction, 6s, 6s 1d, buyer 6s, seller 6s 1d; Brown Hill Central, 2s 2½d, 2s 5d, buyer 2s 4d, seller 2s 6d; Black Flag Junction, contributing, 11½d, buyer 1s, seller 1s 1½d; Coolgardie, ex rights, 2s 7d, buyer 2s 6d, seller 3s; Coolgardie Mint, 34s, 36s, buyer 36s, seller 37s; Croesus Proprietary, 3s 8d, 3s 9d, buyer 3s 9d, seller 3s 10d; Chaffers, 8s 9d, 9s 1d, 9s, buyer 9s, seller 9s 1d; General Gordon, contributing, 1s 9d, buyer 1s 7d, seller 1s 9d; Golden Horseshoe, £5 10s, £5 13s, buyer £5 13s, seller £5 15s; Golden Queen, 7½d, 8d, buyer 7½d, seller 8½d; Golden Zone, paid, 6s, buyer 6s 3d; Golden Zone, contributing, 4s 6d, buyer 4s 6d; Golden Zone North, 10½d, seller 11d; Great Boulder, £9 16s, £9 17s 6d, buyer £9 16s 6d, seller £9 17s 6d; Boulder Main Reef, 35s 6d, 36s, buyer 36s, seller 36s 6d; Great Boulder No. 1, 23s, 27s 9d, 26s 6d, buyer 26s, seller 27s; Hannan's Central Extended, 3s 9d, 3s 7½d, 3s 8d, buyer 3s 7d, seller 3s 8d; Hannan's Eureka, 1s 2d, buyer 1s 1d, seller 1s 2d; Croesus, 15s 6d, 15s, buyer 14s, seller 14s 6d; Hannan's Oroya, 40s 6d, 40s, 41s 3d, 40s, 40s 6d, buyer 40s, seller 41s; Hannan's Premier, 5½d, seller 6½d; Hannan's Reward North, 4s 7d, 4s 4d, buyer 4s 2d, seller 4s 4d; Imperial Boulder, 5s 11d, 6s 2d, 6s, 6s 7d, 6s 2d, 6s 4d, buyer 6s 3d, seller 6s 5d; Island Lake Austin, 4s, 4s 4d, buyer 4s 3d, seller 4s 4d; Ivanhoe South Extended, 5s 10d, 5s 11d, 6s 8d, 6s 4d, 6s 3d, 6s 9d, buyer 6s 9d, seller 6s 11d; Ivanhoe Junction, 2s 1d, 2s 3d, buyer 2s 1d, seller 2s 3d; Kalgoorlie Bank of England, 47s 3d, 47s 6d, 51s, buyer 50s 6d, seller 51s; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 4s 7d, 4s 9d, buyer 4s 9d, seller 4s; Kalgurli, £5 16s, £5 19s, £5 17s 6d, £5 18s 6d, buyer £5 18s, seller £6; Lady Mary, 2s, 2s 1d, buyer 2s, seller 2s 1d; Lake View Consols, £9 17s, £9 17s 6d, buyer £9 18s 6d; Lake View Extended, 26s, buyer 25s 9d, seller 26s; Lake View South, paid, 56s 6d, 56s, 57s, buyer 57s, seller 57s 6d; Lake View Reduced, 2s 9d, buyer 2s 9d; Maritana, contributing, 4s 7d, buyer 4s 7d, seller 4s 10d; Maritana Central, 11d, 10½d, buyer 10d, seller 11d; Maritana Extended, 5d, 4½d, 5d, buyer 4½d, seller 5½d; Maritana North, 9d, 10d, buyer 9d, seller 10d; Mount Benson, contributing, 2s, 1s 10½d, seller 1s 10½d; Mount Charlotte, 19s, buyer 19s; North Boulder, 30s, seller 30s 6d; North Kalgurli, 42s 6d, 42s 6d, 43s 6d, 43s 6d, 43s 3d, 44s, 42s 6d, buyer 42s 6d, seller 42s 9d; No. 1 North Norseman, paid, 2s 5d, buyer 2s 5d, seller 2s 6d; Premier South, 2s 6d, 2s 5d, 2s 6d, buyer 2s 6d, seller 2s 7d; Princess Royal, contributing, 13s 6d, 13s, seller 13s; Queen Margaret, 21s 3d, 22s, buyer 21s 3d, seller 22s; Queen Margaret South, 5s 4d, 5s 8d, 5s 6d, 5s 7d, buyer 5s 7d, seller 5s 9d; Queen Margaret Central, 2s 7d, buyer 2s 5d, seller 2s 7d; Reefer's Eureka, paid, 12s 6d, seller 13s 6d; Reefer's Eureka, contributing, 12s, buyer 11s 6d, seller 12s; Reefer's Trident, 7d, buyer 6½d, seller 7d; Royal Dane, paid, 1s 3d, buyer 1s, seller 1s 3d; Royal Mint South, paid, 1s 2d, 1s 5d, seller 1s 6d; ditto, contributing, 9d, 8d, 9d, buyer 8d, seller 9d; Slug Hill Proprietary, 4d, 4½d, buyer 4d, seller 5d; Southern Boulder 4d, buyer 4½d; South Kalgurli, 60s 6d, 59s 6d, 60s 6d, buyer 60s 6d, seller 61s; Victory United, 5s 8d, buyer 5s 8d, seller 5s 9d; White Feather Main Reef, 6s, buyer 6s, seller 6s 3d.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Running two shifts last week without any stoppages, the North Broken mill treated 730 tons crudes, producing 170 tons concentrates, bulking 67 per cent. lead, 9·4oz. silver, and 7·9 per cent. zinc. There were no despatches, but 200 tons of concentrates are now being despatched to Port Pirie. The estimated quantity lying on the ore floors on Saturday was 560 tons. On the surface the whole machinery is running smoothly, and underground exploratory work is being pushed ahead as rapidly as possible. The 700ft. west crosscut and the south drive are practically unchanged, except that the latest assays from the crosscut show an improvement for lead. At the 400ft. level the north drive from the west crosscut carries about 5ft. wide of milling ore, the full strength of the lode lying to the westward. The sill floor sets are being brought in from behind as this drive advances, being now about 14ft. wide, with no west wall exposed, although in places there is some hard mixed quartz material in sight. This mine's northern drive from the Junction North 570ft. level shows the mullock intrusion disappearing, compact sulphides taking its place. Directly in the face, however, garnet sandstone is showing.

The Junction North's preparations for controlling any inrush of water in the western crosscut at the 750ft. level are about completed, and it is anticipated that early to-morrow morning men will go into the face again to work.

The Proprietary shipped for the week ended September 29, to Port Pirie, 414 tons oxidised ore.

Block 10 mill had fair run last week, treating 2187 tons crudes, producing 480 tons concentrates, bulking 31·63oz. silver, 64 per cent. lead, 9·83 per cent. zinc. The despatches aggregated 2056 tons, comprising 717 tons bagged concentrates and 1339 tons loose zinc tailings. The estimated quantity of concentrates lying on the local ore floors is 259 tons. The additional section of the concentrating mill is practically completed. The various working stopes throughout the mine maintain their excellent appearance, last week's average assays being approximately 16oz. silver, 18 per cent. lead, 28 per cent. zinc.

In the Junction North mine the men were in the face of the western crosscut at the 750ft. level today, but beyond the breaking away of a little ground and fitting the drill-hole with a tap, nothing more was done. There is every indication of a strong body of water being ahead, and it will take some time before the lode will be sufficiently drained to allow of active operations being resumed. In the North Central mine's south drive from the 700ft. level the ground in the face is easier for working. It is of a schistose, slatey character, containing a little iron pyrites. The face of the northern drive shows soft greasy conglomerate, carrying about an 8in. seam of mundic on the footwall side.

The Junction Consolidated mine's south drive at the 170ft. level is showing a marked improvement, carrying about 2ft. wide of solid sulphides. The winze above also contains a full bottom of sulphides.

The Junction mill had a fair run last week, treating 990 tons crudes, yielding 185 tons concentrates, worth approximately 24oz. silver, 63 per cent. lead, and 10 per cent. zinc; also 25 tons of slimes, being re-treats from the buddles of good metal contents. The despatches aggregated 508 tons, including 188 tons shipping sulphides to Port Pirie for despatch to Europe. Work in connection with the new concentrating plant is making good headway. The progressive and productive works underground are without anything of special import. There is virtually nothing new regarding the Proprietary Block 12 fire. The same repressive and precautionary measures are being persevered with night and day, and the centre of Brodribb's affected section is being gradually approached. The water pumped up from the 500ft. level continues to be poured through from the 200ft. level in large quantities, and also from the bottom of Baxter and Saddler's open cut. The winze in the bottom of this cut between Brodribb's and Jamieson's shaft on the footwall side, is being hurried on, so that it may act as another vent in connection with Stewart's shaft, which now alone acts in this capacity. Some trouble is still being experienced with the noxious gases, which hang about the affected ground; but, apparently, they are not felt in other sections of the mine.

BURRAGA, Thursday.

It is reported that Mr. Lewis Lloyd has disposed of the Burraga Copper Mine, and that a substantial deposit has been paid.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

To-day's Stock Exchange sales and quotations were:—Band of Hope, seller 27s 6d; Bonnie Dundee, seller 4s 6d; Brilliant Central, buyer 7s, seller 7s 7d; Brilliant Block, seller 25s; ditto, paid, seller 27s; Brilliant and St. George United, buyer 38s 6d, seller 39s 6d; ditto, paid, seller 40s 6d; Brilliant Extended, buyer 9s 3d, seller 10s; ditto, paid, buyer 11s 1d, seller 11s 9d; Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, buyer 8s 11d, seller 9s, sales 9s; Day Dawn P. C., buyer 2s 13d; East Mexican, buyer 4s 7d, seller 5s 3d; ditto, paid, buyer 5s; Kelly's Queen Block, buyer 12s 7d, seller 13s 2d; ditto, paid, buyer 13s 9d, seller 14s 6d; Marshall's Queen, buyer 1s 2½d, seller 1s 3d, sales 1s 3d; Mills United Gold Mines, seller 13s 6d; Moonstone Consols, buyer 3s 4½d, seller 3s 6d, sales 3s 6d; Moonstone Extended P. C., buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 3d, sales 1s 2½d; Moonstone Towers Extended Block, buyer 1s 6½d, seller 1s 7d, sales 1s 6½d; New Queen, buyer 3s 0½d, seller 3s 1½d, sales 3s 0½d; North Queen, buyer 1s 8d, seller 1s 9d; ditto, paid, buyer 3s 6d, seller 3s 8d; Victoria No. 1 West, buyer 2s 5d, seller 2s 6d; Papuan Brilliant and Victoria, N.L., buyer 15s 10d, seller 16s 2d; Phœbe, buyer 13s 10½d, seller 13s 11d, sales 14s, 13s 11d; Queen Cross Reef, buyer 11s 3d, seller 11s 11d; Queen Central, buyer 3s 2d, seller 3s 4d; ditto, paid, buyer 4s 10d, seller 5s 3d; Victoria and Queen, buyer 8s 6d, seller 8s 8d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, buyer 5s 5d, seller 5s 7½d; ditto, paid, buyer 6s 6d, seller 6s 10d; Victoria G.M. Association, buyer 6s 6d, seller 6s 9d; Victory, buyer 8s 9d, seller 9s 6d.

GYMPIE, Thursday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports the following sales:—Columbia No. 1 North, 6s 3d; Glanmire Nos. 3 and 4 North Tribute, 1s 3d; Great Eastern No. 1 North, 1s 6d, 1s 7d; Great Eastern No. 1 South, 6s 9d; Great Eastern No. 2 South, 28s 3d, 29s 9d; New Zealand Junction, 5s 11d, 5s 5d; Phœnix No. 5 North, 7s 3d, 7s 2d; Smithfield and Golden Pile, 13s 9d, 13s 8d.

To-night's quotations: Golden Pile, seller 9s 6d, buyer 8s 6d; Columbia and Smithfield, seller 19s 9d, buyer 19s 8d; No. 2 Great Eastern, seller 8s, buyer 7s 8d; No. 3 Phœnix, seller 6s 11d, buyer 6s 4d.

HOBART, Thursday.

To-day's Hobart Exchange sales and quotations were:—Clifton, buyer 7s, seller 10s; Colebrook, buyer 40s, seller 46s; Comet, seller 3s 9d; Curtin and Davis, buyer 10s 3d; Hercules, buyer 37s 6d, seller 39s 6d; Barlen Hercules, buyer 1s 9d, seller 1s 11d; Mount Black, sales 4s 10d; ditto, paid, buyer 6s 4d, seller 7s; Mount Lyell, sales £15 9s; Central Lyell, buyer 2s 4d, seller 2s 6d; Mount Reid, buyer 12s, seller 15s 6d; Primrose, buyer 26s, seller 27s 3d; Renison Bell, buyer, £2 15s, seller £3; South Rosebery, buyer 2s 4d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

There was only limited business in Broken Hill companies to-day. Lake George mines sold to fair extent. The market for most Tasmanian companies was depressed. Business in Western Australian gold ventures was less active than of late, and changes in prices were in favour of buyers. Very limited business transpired in Victorian companies, but B.B. Quartz was an exception, coming into strong demand in the afternoon on receipt of a telegram reporting having cut the reef showing coarse gold. Sales: B.H. Block 10, 77s, 78s; B.H. Proprietary, 44s, 46s; Junction, 33s 6d; Junction North, 23s 6d; North Broken, 10s 3d, 10s; Lake George Mines, 72s 6d, 73s, 72s; Mount Deddick, £11, £10, £10 15s; Mount Lyell, £15 8s, £15 6s, £15 7s; Curtin and Davis, 10s 9d, 10s; King Lyell, 1s 6d, 1s 7d; Mount Lyell Consols, 6s 6d; Mount Lyell Extended, 17s; ditto, paid, 21s, 22s, 21s 9d; Silver Queen, 4s 6d; Tasman Lyell, 13s 9d, 14s; Mount Black, 4s 9d, 5s; ditto, paid, 7s; Colebrook, 46s, 40s, 42s 6d; Crown Lyell, 1s 1d; King Lyell, 1s 6d, 1s 7d; ditto, paid, 2s; Lyell Tharsis, 36s; M'Kimmie, 1s; North Colebrook, 2s; Commonwealth, 1s 5d, 1s 7d; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 3s 10½d, 3s 9d; Lady Bountiful, 4s 6d; Maritana, 4s 6d, 5s; Tindal's, 2s 6d; Chaffers, 8s 7d, 8s 9d; Associated Gold Mines, 84s, 81s; Hannan's Block 45, 11s 6d; Queen Margaret, 20s; Cardigan, 9s 6d, 9s 9d; Central Plateau, 28s; South Star, 30s 6d, 31s; Shenandoah, 3s 8d; B. B. Quartz, 8s 6d, 12s; Great South Long Tunnel, 14s, 13s; New Loch Fyne, £9, £9 1s 6d; South Loch Fyne, 5s 11d, 6s; Beehive and German, 5s 9d, 5s 4d; Derby United, 10s; Lord Nelson, 77s; South German, £6 12s; ditto Extended, 3s 10d, 4s 2d; Burnt Creek, 4s 6d; Brown Hill Junction, 6s 6d; Lake View Extended, 25s 6d; North Lake George, 3s 8d, 3s 5d, 3s 6d; Landy's Dream, 2s; Loch Fyne Central, 2s; Victor's Quartz, 5s; Von Moltke, 9d, 10d.

NORSEMAN, Wednesday.

The Princess Royal output for the last fortnight of September was 350oz. from 265 tons, making a total for the month of 827oz. from 405 tons. Tailings for the month average 16dwt.

Fresh developments near the Oriental property have been discovered by Morelli. Very rich specimens have been brought in, but nothing definite is yet known.

PERTH, Wednesday.

To-day's Stock Exchange sales were:—Boulder Consols No. 1, 4s 11d; Boulder North Extended, 35s; Coolgardie Mint, 34s; Golden Key, 10d, 11d; Hannan's Eureka, 14s; Shenton, 34s; Royal Mint Extended, 2s 4d; Hannan's Crœsus, 17s; Lady Sherry, contributing, 4d; Kensington East, 3d, 2½d; Nordenfeldt, contributing, 3½d.

TRUNKEY, Thursday.

Messrs. Cross, Francis, and party, at Wilson's Reef, have finished a crushing of 19 tons of stone raised by them in a fortnight from Wright's old reef. The stone yielded 18oz. 9dwt. 9gr. of smelted gold. This return is very encouraging, and has caused a revival of mining in the immediate neighbourhood. It is reported that Mr. Clark has treated 2000 tons of the Mount Grey lode at his battery, but this return is not public. Messrs. King and Ferris's tunnel, in front of the village, has been driven into the hill over 600ft. The lessees have obtained three months' suspension of the labour conditions.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

The True Blue people are driving levels on the eastern and western reefs at the 265ft. level. Thirty tons of mineralised ore have been raised during the last two days. An important feature in the value of this mine is that the large formation averages 10dwt. of gold per ton. The United Exploration Company is rapidly getting its machinery and appliances into position. Jackson's Monastrap claim has treated six and a half tons of ore at the Dapto Smelting Works for a yield of 56oz. 9dwt. 12gr. gold. A trial lot of one ton of the formation yielded 2oz. Neild's prospecting claim is driving west at the 200ft. level. Rich mineralised ore is being stoped in the northern shaft.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Binny Gold-mining Company, No Liability, week ended October 2.—Crosscut off Rose Tunnel: Total 194ft.; country still favourable for making headway.

British Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Limited, week ended September 28.—Blackwood shaft, 200ft. level: Small supplies milling sulphides obtained from backs of No. 1 cross-cut and western extension stopes. Winze in No. 1 crosscut: Total depth 20ft.; showing good sulphide ore. 300ft. level: Sulphide stopes north and south of west crosscut yielding ore for mill as required. Winze: Total, 11ft.; bottom in good milling material. 400ft. level: No. 2 north drive, stope unchanged. Uprise: Total height 38ft.; still carrying fair grade sulphides. Howell shaft, 200ft. level: No. 3 winze in far east vein, total 61ft.; lode pinched somewhat. 300ft. level: Main west and central stopes maintain usual supplies of ore for milling purposes; nice faces of friable material exposed in upper floor of latter stope. East crosscut from south drive off far north stope: Total length 10ft.; face in hard country rock. Mining fair supply of good grade lead carbonates from 50ft. level. Work at King Shaft stopped owing to Junction Company suspending work at this shaft. Treated carbonates and sulphides, chiefly latter, and obtained usual results.

Band of Hope and Albion Consols, No Liability, Ballarat, October 2.—1900ft. level, Consols line: Drive north on course of lode, total from crosscut 890ft., carrying stone 5ft. wide, full of mineral; no gold seen. Guiding star line: Stoping north and south in payable stone; crushed 350 tons for 122oz. 5dwt. bar gold. Shall increase the output forthwith.

Girilambone Copper-mining Company, No Liability, week ended October 1.—300ft. level: Still driving full width of face, 40ft.; level is looking very well. No change of any importance in any of the other levels. All production ore raised and concentrated for week, 449 tons, producing 207 tons of first, second, and third grade concentrates. Ore smelted for same period, 92 tons, producing 12 tons of copper. An additional furnace is now completed, and will be smelting ore by the end of this week. The cost of the refined copper delivered in Sydney is slightly under £30 per ton.

Mount Gahan Gold-mining Company, No Liability, Pambula, October 2.—Sunk shaft 7ft., and centred up 30ft.; rock much harder, but no increase in water. Total depth, 427ft.

British Queen, Ballarat, October 2.—Crushed 30 tons for 6oz. 17dwt.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—

New Moon, Eaglehawk, October 7, 6d.
Lady Barkly, Bendigo, October 7, 6d.
Berry Consols, Kingston, October 11, 2s.
Hepburn Estate Leasehold, Kingston, October 15, 1s.
Victory, C.T., October 15, 6d.
Brilliant Block, C.T., October 18, 6d.
Central Plateau, Ballarat, October 20, 1s.
B. H. Proprietary, October 20, 1s.
Baker's Creek G. M. Company, Hillgrove, October 20, 1s.
Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, and Victory, C.T.—October 11, 9d.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Beacon mine, Upper Bucca (4 weeks), 511 tons 17cwt., 81oz. 9dwt. 12gr.
Central Plateau, Ballarat, 772 tons, 428oz.
Cross, Francis, and party, Trunkey, 19 tons, 18oz. 9dwt. 9gr.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, Land and Houses.
THE SHERIFF.—At the Arbitration Court, at 12, Right, Title, and interest in Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

H. HARRIS and CO.—At their Mart, at 11, Boots and Shoes.
DALWOOD and CO.—At 101 Glebe-road, Glebe, at 11, Teas, Groceries, Oilmen's Stores, Kerosene Oil, Shop Fittings, &c.
H. W. BROOK and CO.—At their Mart, at 11, Furniture, Dinner Service, Tea Sets, Glassware, &c.
A. MITCHELL.—At 6 Irving-street, off Abercrombie-street, at 10.30, Furniture, &c.
J. R. LAWSON.—At the Mart, at 11, Furniture, Glass, China, Electroplate, Pianofortes, Carpets, Bookcases, Books, &c.
A. TRAVERSI and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Wallpapers, Holloware, Carpets, Hearthrugs, Curtains, Mattings, Overmantels, &c.
H. W. CAREY and CO.—At the Chamber of Commerce Salerooms, at 2.30, Teas.
MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, at 11, Furniture, Crockery, &c.
J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Plateware, Cutlery, &c.; at 2, Jewellery, Gold and Silver Watches, &c.
EVANS and CO.—On the Premises, Malcolm-street, Erskineville, at 10, Furniture, Crockery, &c.
J. BROWN and CO.—At 41 Broadway, Glebe, at 2.30, Furniture, Cutlery, Overmantels, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.—At the various Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at the Wool Exchange, at 10.30, Tallow; at 2.30, Sheepskins.
PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At their Circular Quay Stores, Tallow, Hides, &c.; at Wool Exchange, Sheepskins.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.; at Camperdown Yards, at 2.30, Horses.
G. KISS.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.
J. R. LAWSON.—At the Rooms, at 11, American Go-carts.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 12, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3, Dairy Produce.
G. KISS.—At the Bazaar, at 12, Cows.
ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 1.30, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2, Butter, Eggs, &c.; at 3, Poultry, Pigeons, &c.
R. F. MURPHY and CO.—At their Rooms and Yards, at 1.15, Pigs, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3.45, Eggs, Lard, &c.
S. PROCTER.—At his Mart, at 1, Pigs, Poultry, &c.
A. MITCHELL.—At 110 Bay-street, Glebe, at 8, Eggs, Poultry, Oranges, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

S. PROCTER.—At Darling Harbour, at 9, Wood, &c.
FLEMING and SONS.—At 242 Pitt-street, at 1, Plants, &c.

Municipal Council Notices.

BOROUGH OF WAVERLEY.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS.

It is hereby notified that all ARREARS of RATES must be paid at once.

Defaulting Ratepayers are hereby reminded that Summonses are about to be issued indiscriminately for the recovery of the same.

By order.

JOHN CLUBB, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Waverley, October 5th, 1897.

Poultry, Dogs, &c.

LIGHT BRAHMAS.—Wanted, 5 PULLETS. Price to Foster, Herald.

ORPINGTONS.—Wanted, 6 PULLETS. Price and strain to Comb, Herald.

BROWN LEGHORNS from imported stock for SALE cheap. 118 St. Mary-st., Camperdown.

Miscellaneous.

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WANTED, Person to ADOPT healthy Boy, 2 years old, no premium. S. H. H., Paddington P.O.

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Boys' Sac Suits, with Knickers and Vests, fit 11 to 13 years. Usual prices, 15s to 20s—Liquidator's price, 9s 11d.
All-wool Norfolk Suits, fit boys 5 to 10 years. Usual prices, 12s 6d to 14s 3d—Liquidator's price, 6s 11d.
Youths' Long Trousers Suits, fit youths 15 to 18 years. Usual prices, 20s to 24s—Liquidator's price, 10s 9d.

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Sac Suits, to order. Usual price, 75s—Liquidator's price, 39s 6d.
Trousers, to order. Usual price, 19s 6d—Liquidator's price, 11s 8d.

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PIERCE.—The Friends of the deceased Mrs. MARY PIERCE are kindly invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her residence, Dysart, Mill Hill-road, Waverley, THIS FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for the Petersham Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, Tel., 875. 7 Elizabeth-street, city.

PIERCE.—The Friends of Mr. MICHAEL JOSEPH PIERCE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly beloved MOTHER; to move from Dysart, Mill Hill-road, Waverley, THIS FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for the Petersham Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 81 Darlinghurst-road.

PIERCE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. DONNELLAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved SISTER, Mrs. Mary Pierce; to move from Dysart, Mill Hill-road, Waverley, THIS FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for the Petersham Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 68 Walker-street, N. S.

PIERCE.—The Friends of Messrs. PATRICK, MICHAEL, JOHN, THOMAS, and JAMES DONNELLAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved AUNT, Mrs. Mary Pierce; to move from Dysart, Mill Hill-road, Waverley, THIS FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for the Petersham Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY, Und.

PIERCE.—The Friends of Mrs. PATRICK BRADY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved SISTER, Mrs. Mary Pierce; to move from Dysart, Mill Hill-road, Waverley, THIS FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for the Petersham Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street, city. Tel., 875.

CAMDEN.—The Friends of the late JOHN JAMES CAMDEN are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, No. 340 Sussex-street, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for interment in the R.C. Necropolis, Rookwood. Tel., 185. T. DIXON, Undertaker, 23 Oxford-street.

BLANCHARD.—The Funeral of the late Mr. ANDREW CURRIE BLANCHARD will leave his late residence, Mansion House Hotel, Haymarket, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at quarter-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director, 765 George-street, opp. Christ Church, and 116 Oxford-street, near Crown-street. Tel., 993.

BLANCHARD.—The Friends of Mrs. JOSEPH LEA are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved BROTHER, A. C. Blanchard; to move from his late residence, Mansion House Hotel, Haymarket, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at quarter-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. CHAS. KINSELA, George-street.

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THE Friends of Mrs. CHARLES CAINS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her deceased HUSBAND, which will leave his late residence, 64 Raglan-street, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

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DAVIE.—The Friends of Mr. A. H. DAVIE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased SISTER-IN-LAW, Mrs. Robert A. Davie, which will move from his brother's residence, Mansfield, Mitchell-street, North Sydney, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter-past 2 o'clock, for St. Thomas's Cemetery, St. Leonards. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers and Embalmers.

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THOMAS.—The Friends of Mr. CHARLES ALEXANDER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late Friend, JAMES THOMAS; to move from his residence, 7 Ann-street, Surry Hills, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at a quarter before 9 a.m., for the Necropolis. Mrs. P. Kirby and Son, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street.

DUNNE.—The Friends of the deceased Mr. JOSEPH DUNNE are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his residence, 9 Barker-street, off Bathurst-street, TO-MORROW (Saturday), at 1.45 p.m., for the Necropolis. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street, city. Telephone, 875.

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